

Kisses, Sighs, and Cherry Blossom Pink

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*Kisses, Sighs, and
Cherry Blossom Pink.*

Haha!

I HOPE
WE BOTH
MAKE IT!
WHAT TIME
SHOULD
WE GO
CHECK?

THEY'RE
POSTING THE
ENTRANCE EXAM
RESULTS FOR
SAKURAKAI GIRLS'
HIGH SCHOOL
TOMORROW!
I'M NERVOUS
ALREADY...

HELLO,
HITOMI? ^
HEY, IT'S
NANA!

Ahaha...

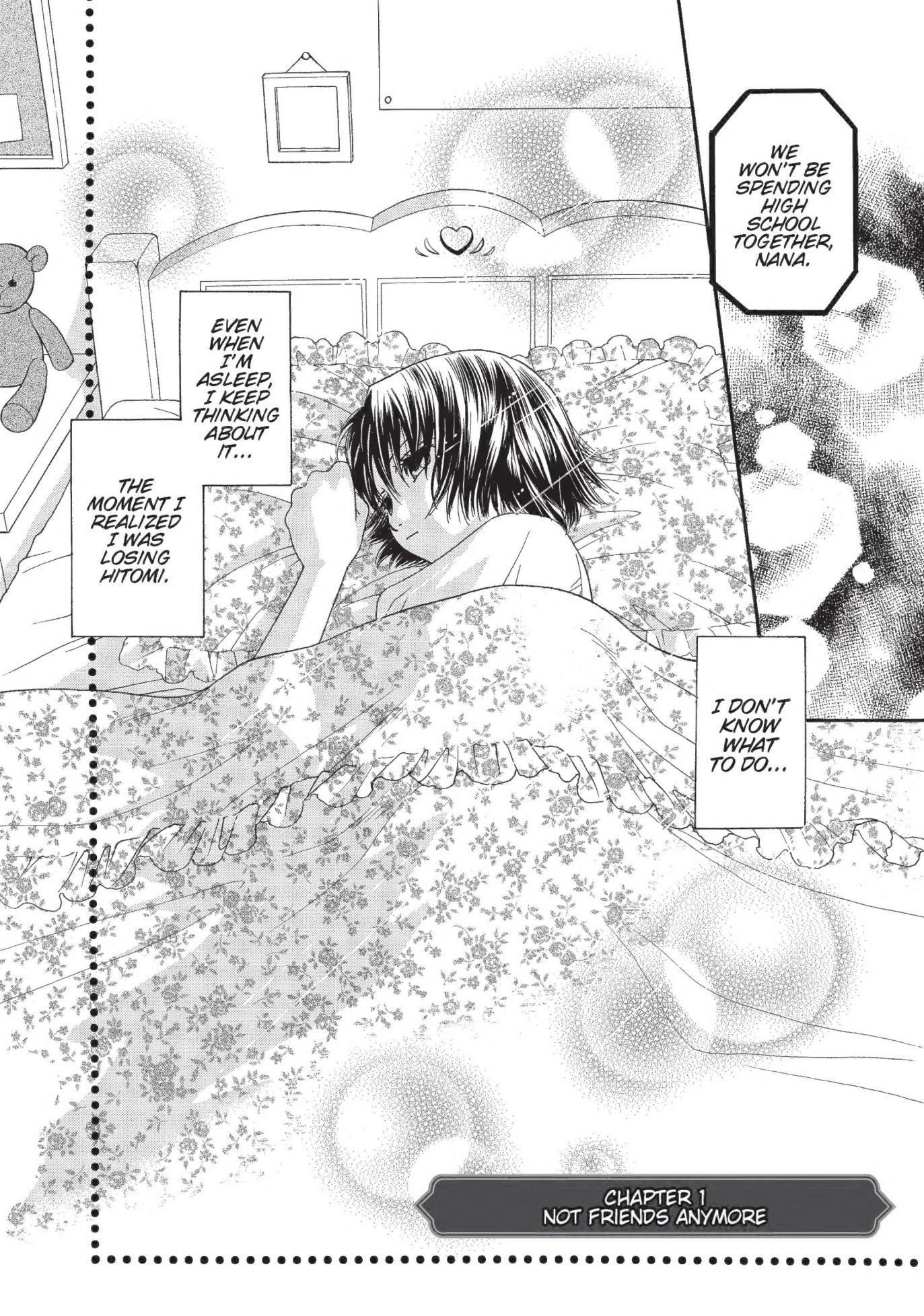
WE MIGHT
END UP IN
DIFFERENT
CLASSES,
BUT AT
LEAST WE'LL
BE IN THE
SAME
SCHOOL...

I'M
SORRY,
NANA.

I FOUND
OUT TODAY
THAT I
GOT INTO
TOUHOU
HIGH. IT'S
A REALLY
GOOD
SCHOOL,
SO...

WHAT?

I'M NOT
GOING TO
SAKURAKAI,
WHETHER
I GET IN
OR NOT.



CHAPTER 1
NOT FRIENDS ANYMORE

IT'S
BEEN TWO
MONTHS
SINCE WE
STARTED
HIGH
SCHOOL...

BUT I
HAVEN'T
CALLED OR
TEXTED
HER OR
ANY-
THING.

NANA,
HURRY UP!
YOU'LL BE
LATE FOR
SCHOOL!

I'M
ALMOST
READY!

CLUNK

HITOMI
AND I
WENT TO
THE SAME
ELEMEN-
TARY AND
JUNIOR HIGH
SCHOOLS.

WE
WERE
BEST
FRIENDS.

LET'S
SEE...
WHAT'S IN
STORE FOR
PISCES THIS
MONTH?

"YOUR
POPU-
LARITY IS
ON THE RISE..."

BE
READY
FOR EXTRA
ATTENTION
FROM
THE BOYS
IN YOUR CLASS!"

"DON'T BE
SURPRISED
IF ONE
OF THEM
ASKS ABOUT
YOUR PLANS
FOR HIGH
SCHOOL..."

PISCES
SHAKE

SHAKE

Onaroin

NOPE!

ANY GUYS WANT TO TRY THAT WHILE I'M HERE?

OH REALLY?

HITOMI, YOU'RE NOT A PISCES... WHY ARE YOU READING NANA'S HOROSCOPE INSTEAD OF YOUR OWN?

STOMP

RII

ER

ER

I'M NURTURING NANA, MY PRECIOUS ROSEBUD...

DIRTY LITTLE BOY MINDS WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND OUR LOVE.

Ohohoh~

I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO TRULY LOVES YOU!

NANA, YOU CAN'T TRUST MEN, BUT YOU CAN TRUST ME!

SNUGGLE~
SNUGGLE~

R-
Rosebud?!

BA-THUMP
BA-THUMP

H-HEY... ARE YOU TWO, LIKE... A COUPLE OR SOMETHING?

Poor
you...

NANA,
YOU'LL
NEVER
GET A
BOYFRIEND
WITH HER
AROUND.

THAT
GIRL IS
PRETTY,
BUT
NUTS.

SIGH

I
KNOW.
I'VE
GIVEN UP
ALREADY.

AND UNTIL
THEN, I'LL TORCH
ALL THE PESTS
THAT TRY TO
TOUCH HER!!

Torch
them
with my
burning
passion!!!

I'LL
SHOWER
HER WITH
MY LOVE
UNTIL THE
DAY SHE
BLOSSOMS...

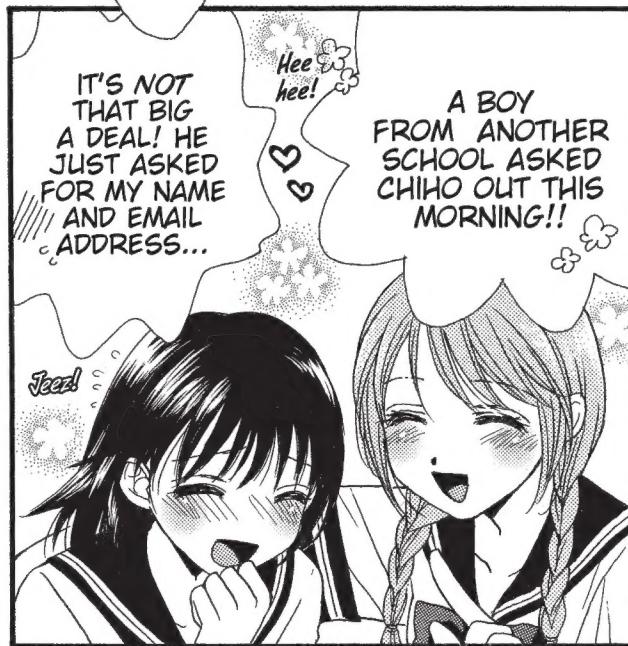
BUT SHE
ONLY HUNG
OUT WITH
ME.

LOTS
OF BOYS
LIKED
HER...

HITOMI
WAS TALL,
CUTE, AND
SMART.

THOUGH
I ACTED
SAD...

I WAS
ACTUALLY
KINDA
HAPPY.



EVERYONE'S NICE, BUT I STILL FEEL LIKE AN OUTSIDER.

ALMOST EVERYONE HERE ALSO WENT TO SAKURAKAI'S JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, SO...

A LOT OF THEM HAVE BEEN FRIENDS FOR YEARS.

IT WAS HITOMI'S IDEA TO COME HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE!

YOU'D LOOK GREAT IN IT! COME ON! I'LL TAKE THE ENTRANCE EXAM TOO!

THAT SCHOOL UNIFORM IS SOOOO CUTE! NANA, YOU SHOULD GO THERE!

Squeee!

Um, I'll ask my parents...

COME TO THINK OF IT...

I REALLY WISH HITOMI WAS HERE WITH ME.

HUH?
"THE TEST?"

WELL, JUST DO "THE TEST"
TO SEE HOW YOU REALLY
FEEL ABOUT HIM.

WE JUST MET!
WHAT IF WE HAVE
NOTHING IN
COMMON?

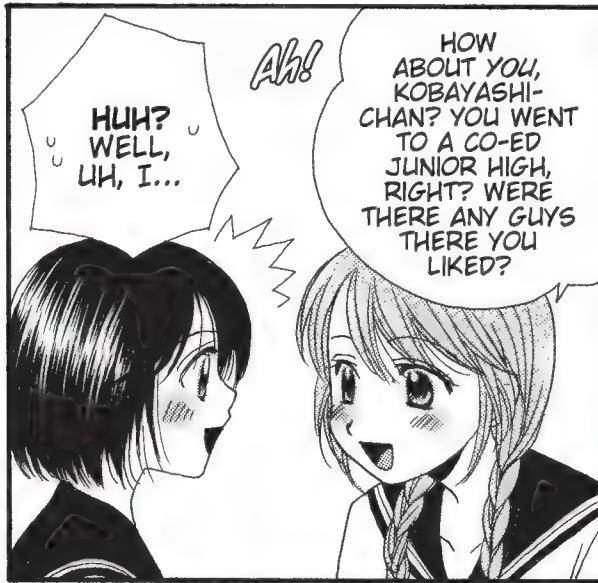
BUT I DON'T
KNOW IF I
WANT TO
GO OUT
WITH HIM
OR NOT...

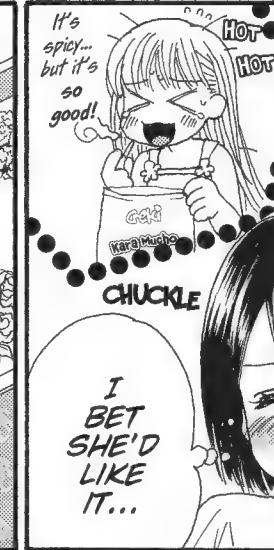
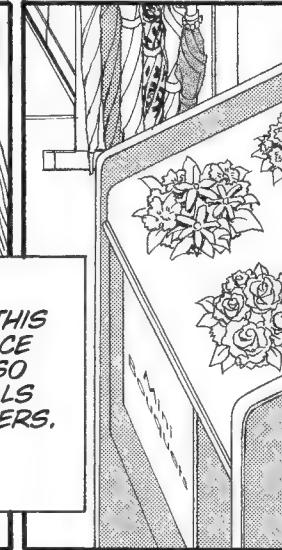
SHE PASSED THE
EXAM, BUT
THEN DIDN'T
ENROLL! SHE
TOTALLY
TRICKED
ME!

What?

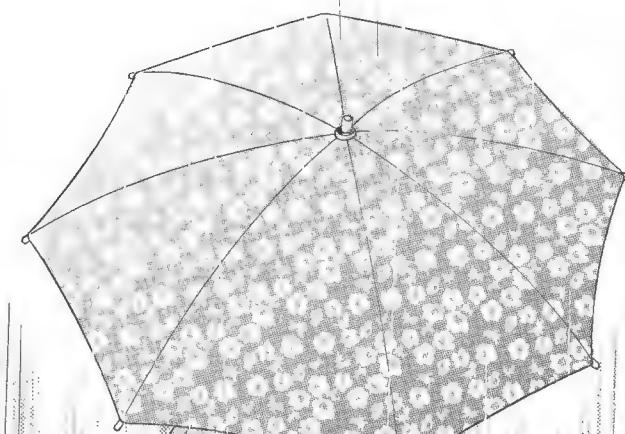
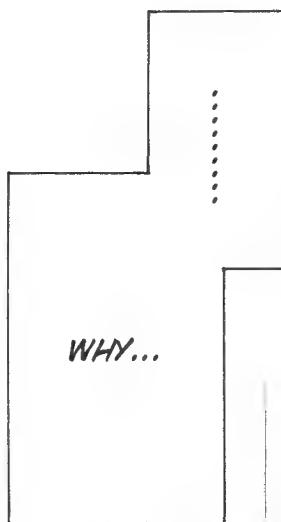
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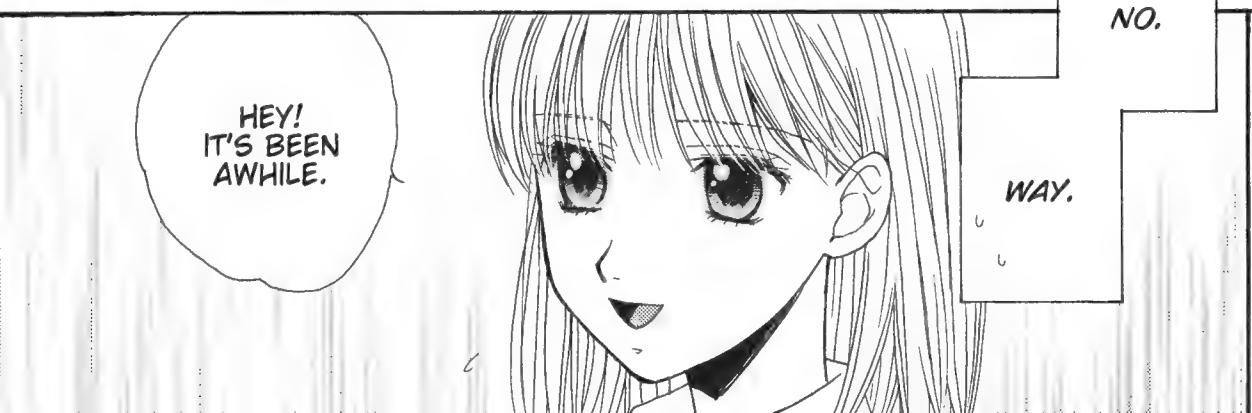
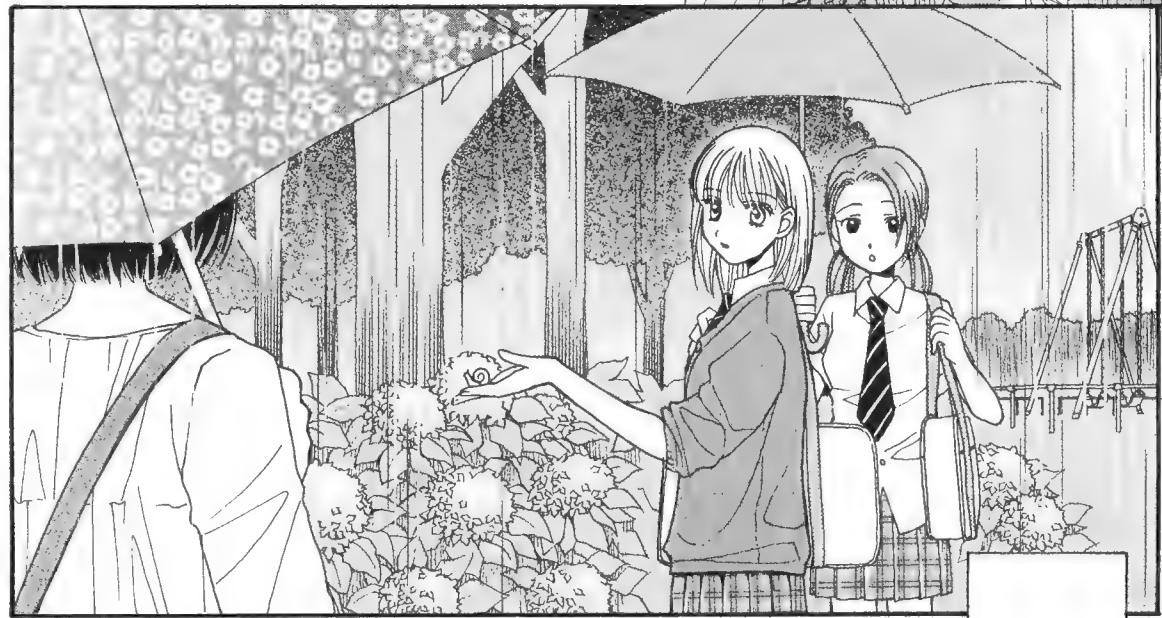






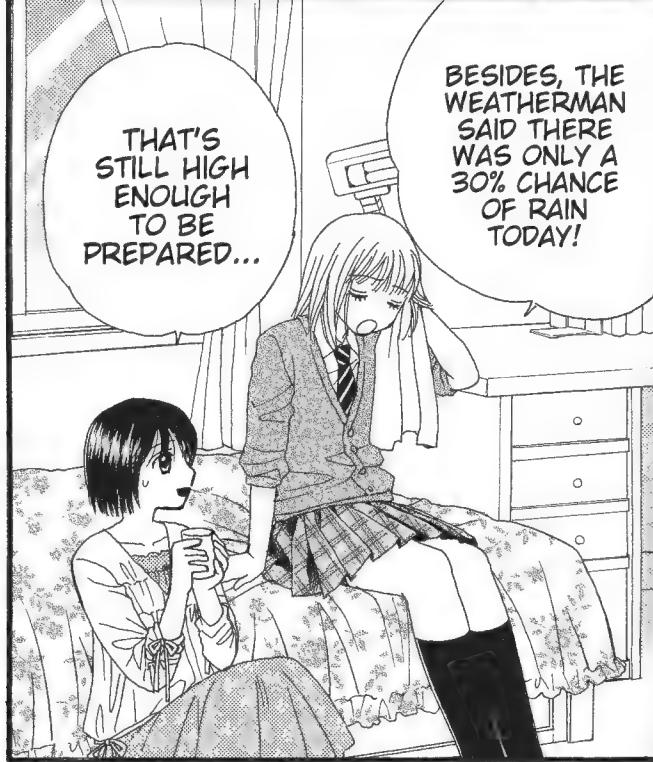
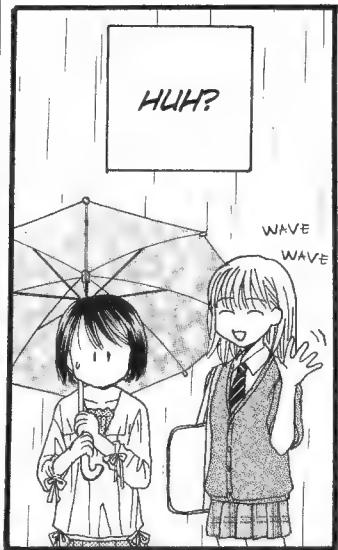
THEY'RE HITOMI'S FAVORITE! I WONDER IF SHE'S TRIED THIS FLAVOR...

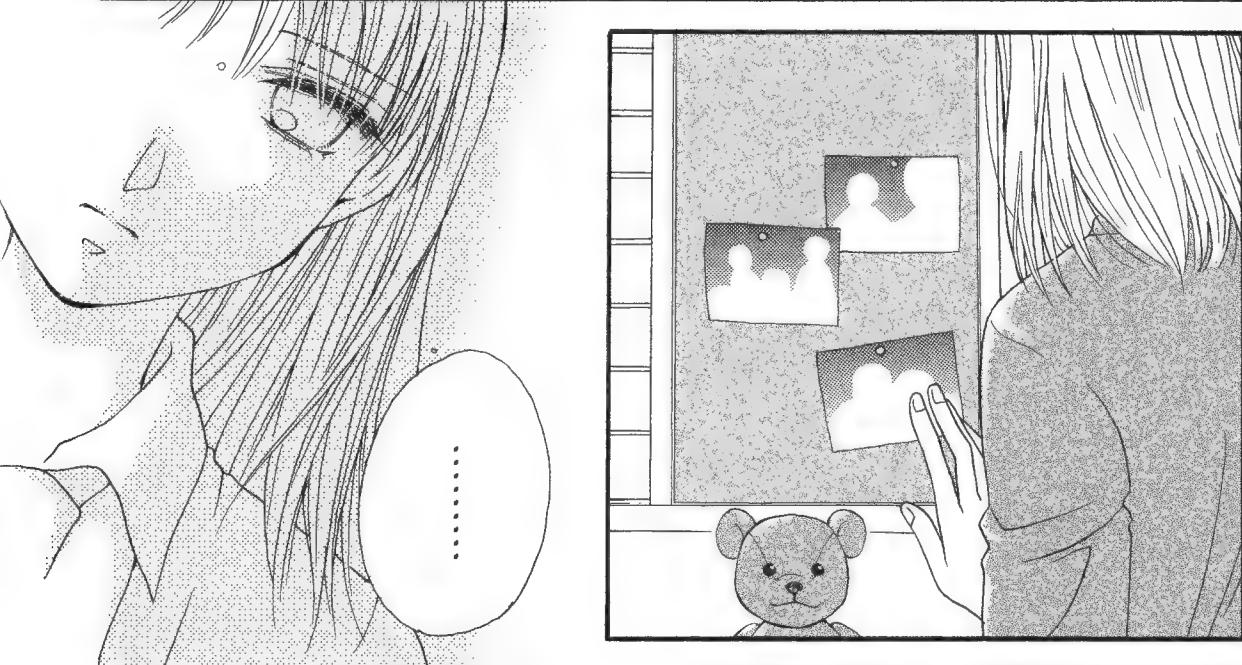






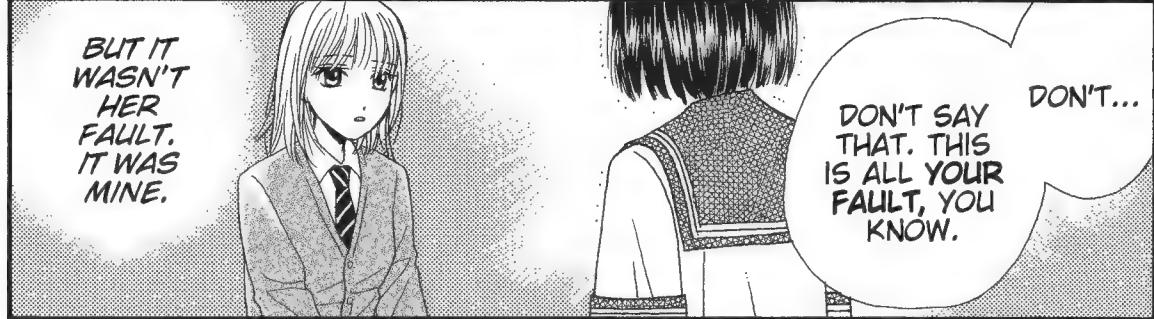


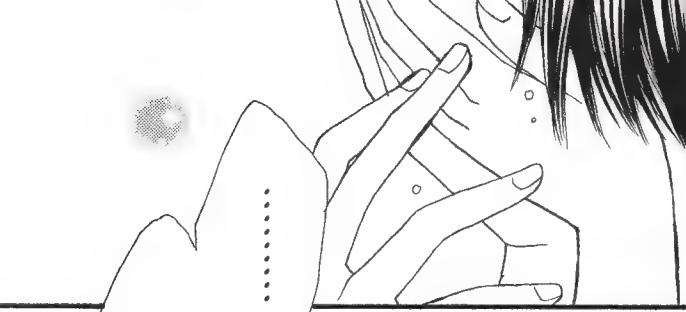












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SORRY,
NANA.

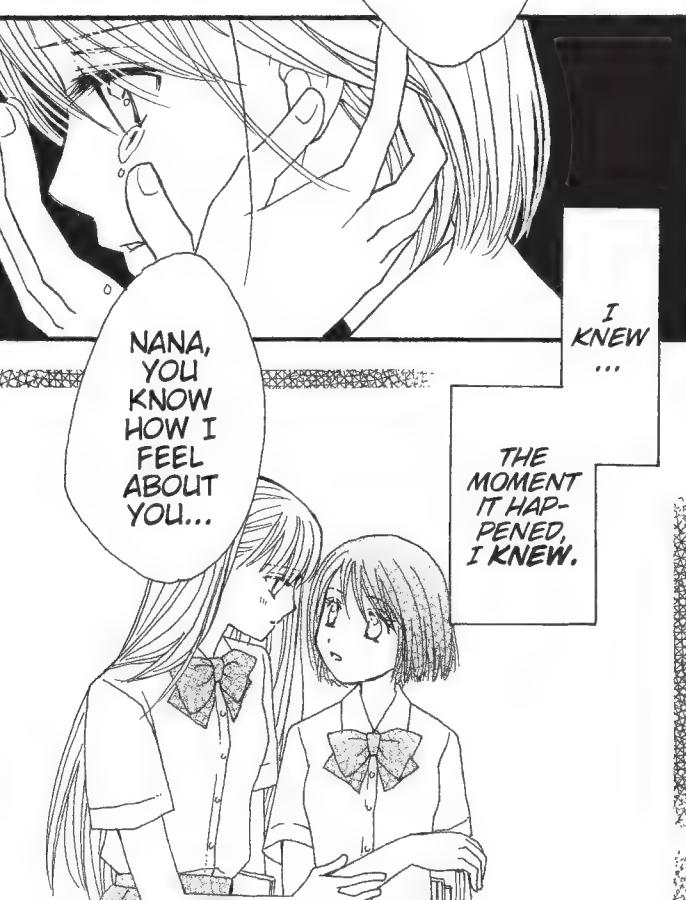


AND
WANTED
TO STAY
FRIENDS...
BUT...

I
WANTED
TO GO TO
THE SAME
SCHOOL
AS YOU,
TOO...



DON'T
MAKE
ME SAY
THIS...



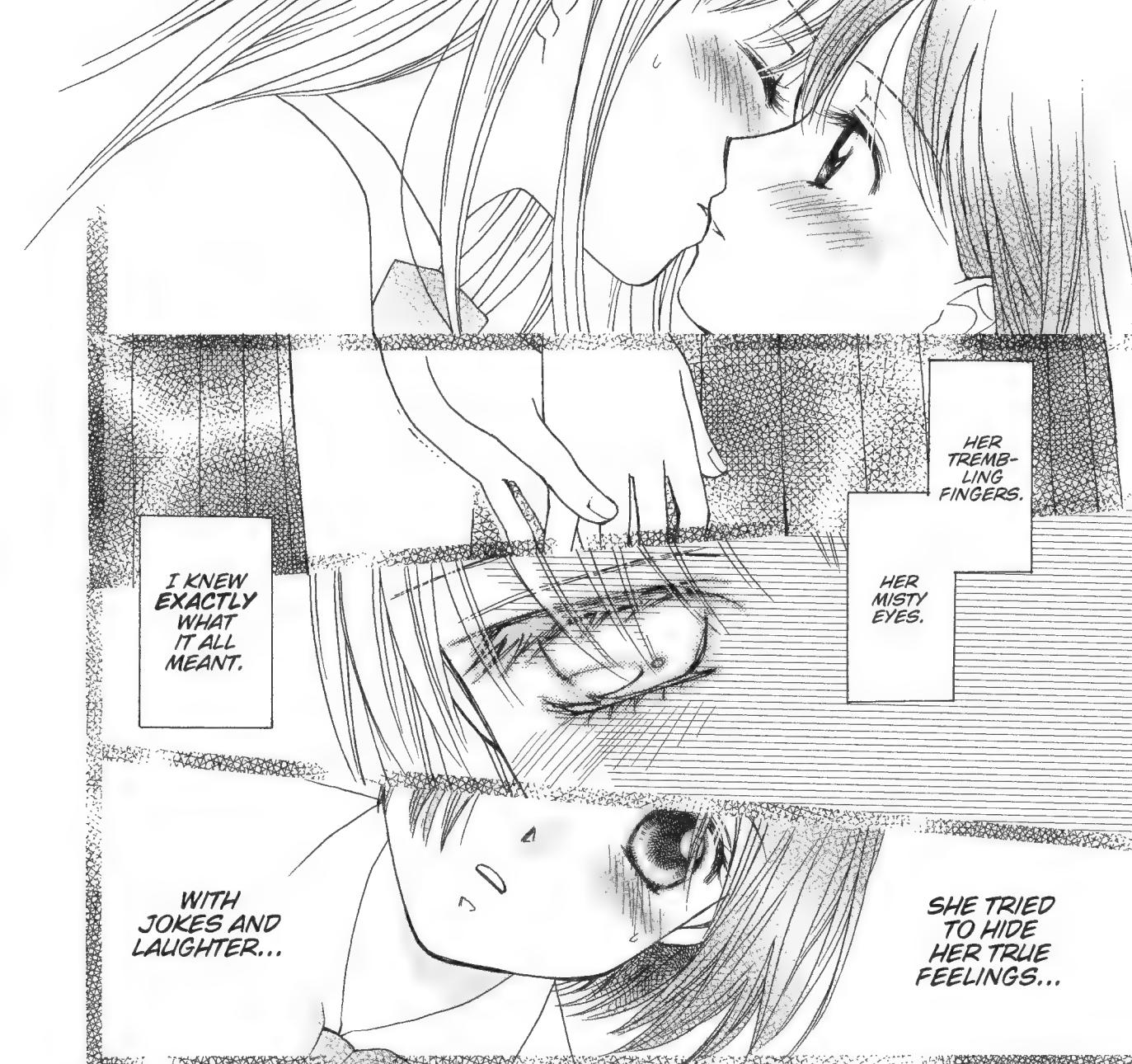
NANA,
YOU
KNOW
HOW I
FEEL
ABOUT
YOU...

I
KNEW
...

THE
MOMENT
IT HAP-
PENED,
I KNEW.



AND
I KNOW
YOU'RE FINE
WITHOUT
ME...!



I KNEW EXACTLY WHAT IT ALL MEANT.

HER TREMBLING FINGERS.

HER MISTY EYES.

WITH JOKES AND LAUGHTER...

SHE TRIED TO HIDE HER TRUE FEELINGS...



AH...

BUT...

I KNEW THE TRUTH, AND IT SCARED ME.

GOSH, HITOMI! YOU'RE SO TOUCHY-FEELY...





I
NEVER
REAL-
IZED...

HITOMI'S
JUST AS
SCARED
AS I AM.

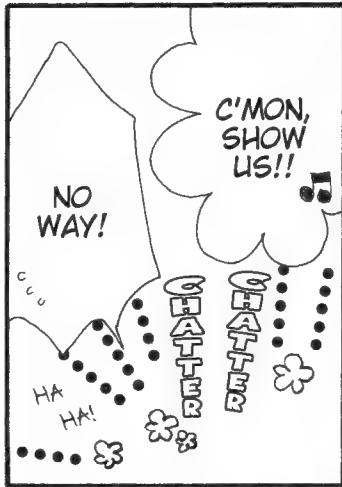
A FRIEND
SHOULDN'T
FEEL THIS
WAY...

WE
DON'T...

HAVE TO
BE JUST
"FRIENDS"
ANYMORE.

IT'S
MINE!

OH! SOME-
ONE'S CELL
PHONE IS
RINGING.



BY THE
TIME MY
CELL PHONE
FILLS UP
WITH YOUR
TEXTS AND
PHOTOS...

IT WILL BE
SUMMER
VACATION AND
WE'LL SPEND
EVERY DAY OF
IT TOGETHER.



CHAPTER 1 END



EVERY
SUMMER
IS
EXACTLY
THE
SAME.

EVEN I
STAY THE
SAME,
YEAR
AFTER
YEAR.

JUST
ANOTHER
TYPICAL
SUMMER
VACATION.

ONLY
A FEW
STUDENTS
AROUND...

SUN-
FLOWERS
BLOOM
IN THE
SCHOOL-
YARD...

CICADAS
SING...

WHY
HAVEN'T I
CHANGED?

I GUESS
I'M JUST
ANOTHER
CONSTANT
FIXTURE AT
SAKURA-
KAI...



MY
NAME'S
KATO.
I'M A
GHOST.

IT'S SO
QUIET
INSIDE
THE
SCHOOL
...

BUT
I'M NOT
LONELY
AT ALL!

BECAUSE
YOU'RE
ALWAYS
THERE.



NURSE

CHAPTER 2
THE SUMMER CLOSEST TO HEAVEN

STUDENTS
RARELY
COME HERE
DURING
SUMMER
VACATION.

MOST OF
THE TIME
IT'S JUST
THE TWO
OF US.

BUT I
HAVE A
FEELING
SOMEONE
WILL COME
TODAY.

THERE'S
A LOT
GOING
ON...

WE'RE THE
ONES WHO
CHALLENGED
THEM TO A
GAME, SO
IT'D SUCK
IF WE
LOST.

DAMN!
THEY'RE
AHEAD
BY FOUR
POINTS...

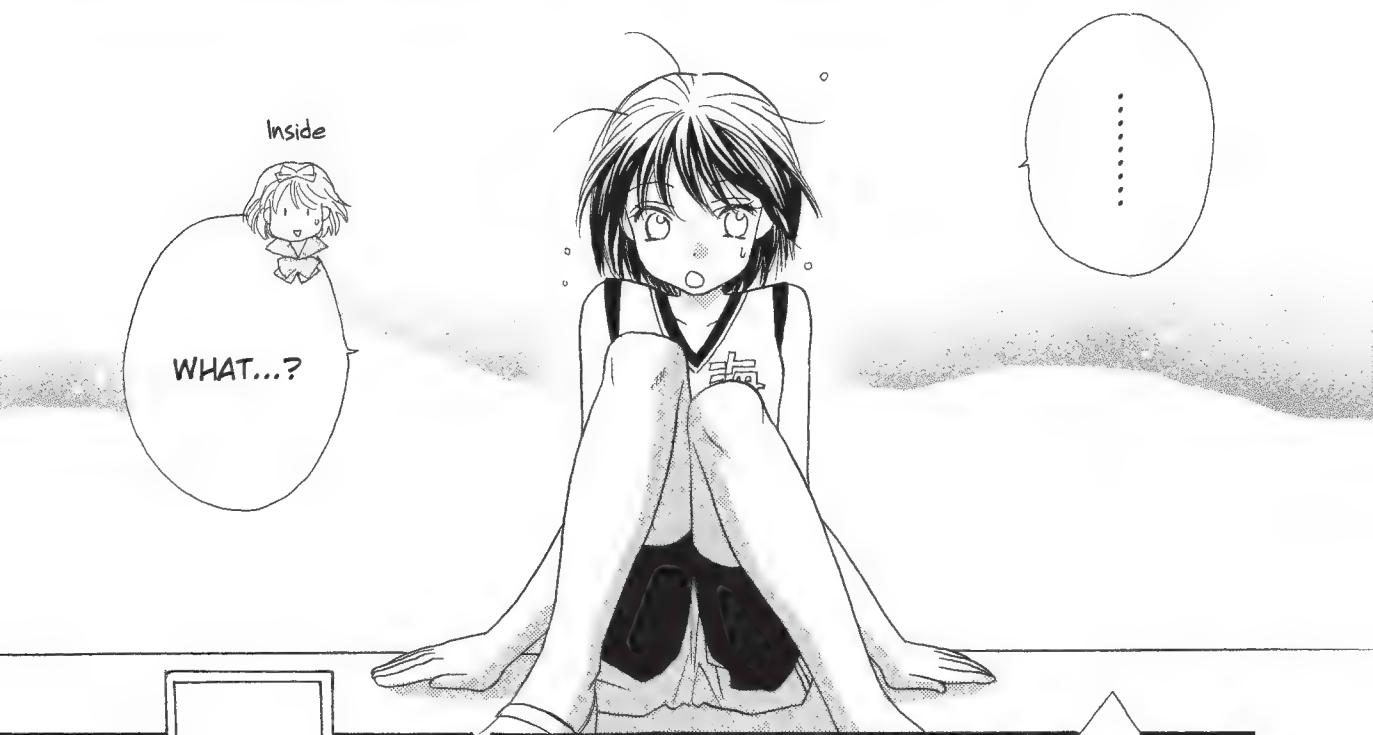
WE'LL
WIN! WE
JUST
NEED
TO--

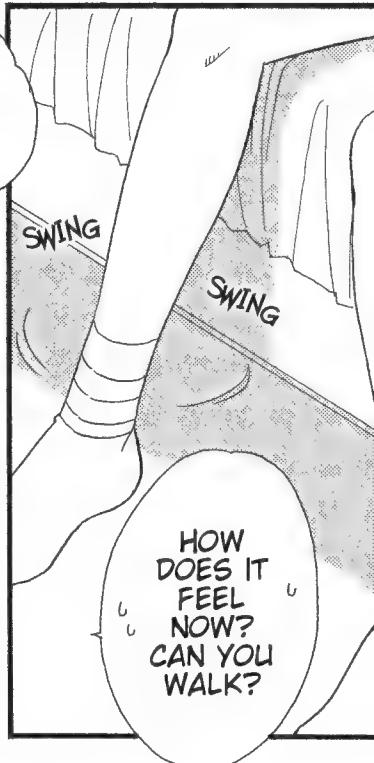
AAH!

FLETCH
7

*Sakurakai.11







I'M
SORRY...
HAVE
WE MET
BEFORE?

I NEVER
THOUGHT
I'D GET
TO TALK
TO YOU
AGAIN!

IT'S
LIKE...

OLD
TIMES...

WELL,
OF
COURSE,
YOU
ARE...

HAHA! I'M
ACTUALLY
SWEATING!

IT'S
SO
HOT
OUT!

MY NAME
AND CLASS
NUMBER,
RIGHT?
SURE
THING!!

UH,
WOULD
YOU MIND
SIGNING
IN?

IT'S HOT
OUT HERE.
HOW'S
YOUR
ANKLE?

OKAY,
KOMATSU?
ER, I
MEAN...

SENSEI?

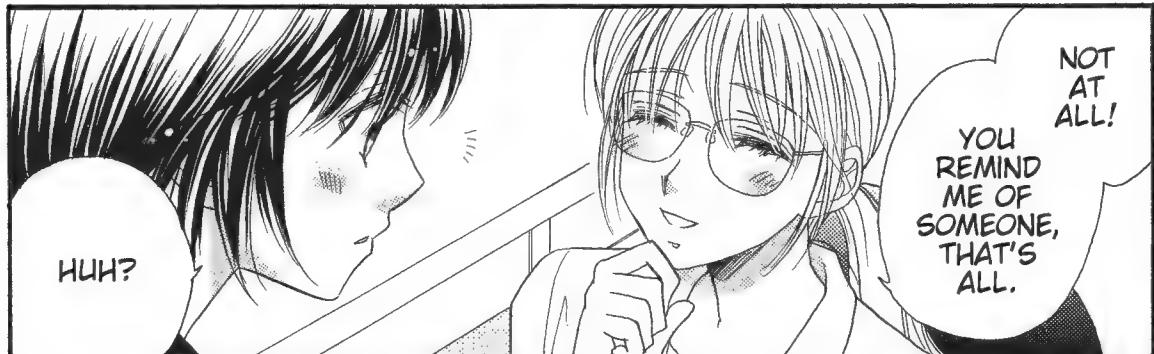
HUH?

HEY,
LET'S GO
OUTSIDE!

Outside?
On that
ankle?









BUT I NEVER EXPECTED TO END UP BACK AT MY OLD HIGH SCHOOL!

I WENT TO COLLEGE AND BECAME A SCHOOL NURSE...

I WAS ONLY AT THIS SCHOOL FOR A SHORT TIME...

BEFORE I TRANSFERRED OUT...

WHEN YOU CAME BACK...

I WAS SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU!

WE COULD BE FRIENDS AGAIN... JUST LIKE BEFORE...



WE WERE TOGETHER AGAIN...



I KNOW. I'M WITH YOU EVERY DAY.

BUT SOME OTHER STUDENTS COME HERE A LOT!

WINTER LOG BOOK
2004, NO. 2



ACTIVE AND HEALTHY STUDENTS LIKE YOU RARELY VISIT MY OFFICE...

IT WAS AN
IMPORTANT
PLACE FOR
ME BACK
THEN.

YES...

A SAFE
PLACE
WHERE
THEY'RE
ALWAYS
WELCOME.

SOME
STUDENTS
JUST NEED
A PLACE
WHERE THEY
CAN REST AND
RECOVER...

I EVEN
MADE A
LOT OF
FRIENDS
HERE.

THE
NURSE
WAS
REALLY
NICE
AND THE
ROOM
WAS
COZY.

I
SPENT
MOST
OF MY
BREAKS
AND
LUNCH
HOURS
HERE.

LIKE
THAT
GIRL I
MET
IN MY
FIRST
YEAR...

Visitor Log Book
004, No.2

FLIP

I
WONDER
WHAT
HAPPENED
TO HER
AFTER SHE
TRANS-
FERRED...

I
BROUGHT
MINE TOO!
LET'S EAT
ON THE
ROOF!

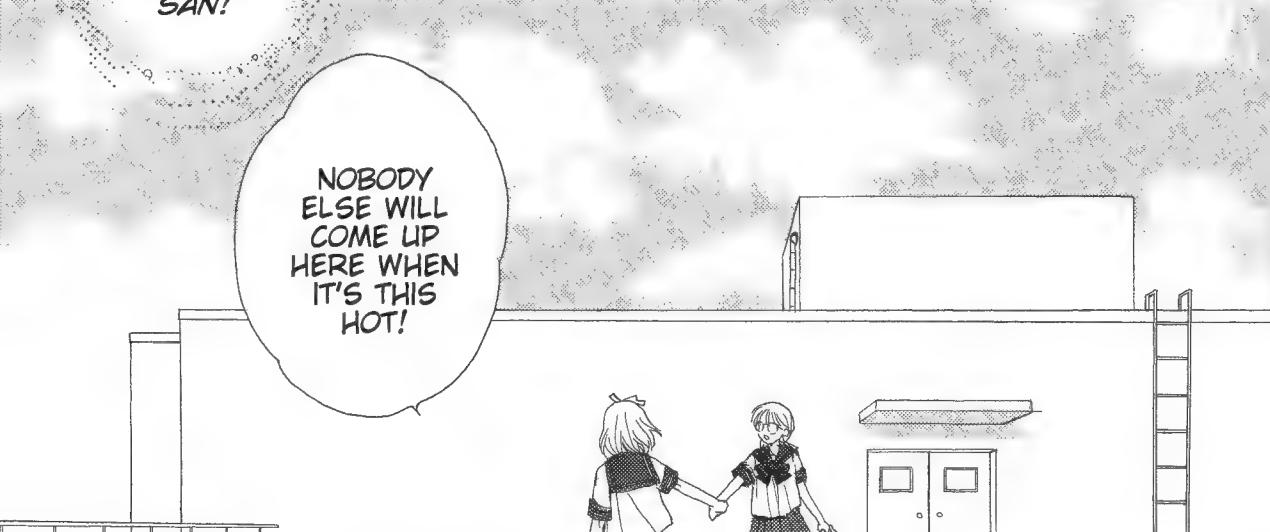
YOU
BROUGHT
A LUNCH
TODAY,
RIGHT?

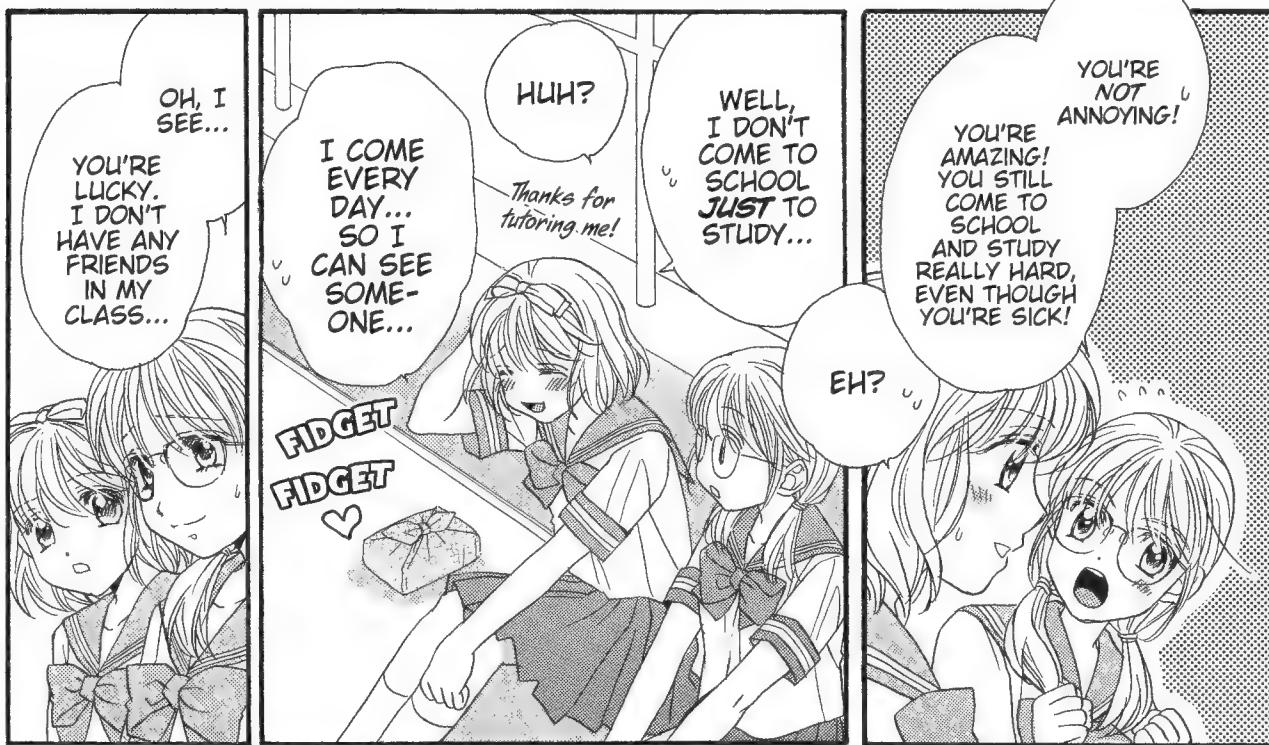
BA-
THUMP!

EH?

HEY,
SENSEI!

....?







SO MANY OF THEM COME TO ME WITH INJURIES, ILLNESSES... OR OTHER PROBLEMS...

I WISH FEWER STUDENTS NEEDED MY HELP, BUT...

I KNOW! YOU'RE THE ONLY TEACHER WHO COMES EVERY DAY DURING SUMMER BREAK.

I REALLY LOVE MY JOB.

I WANTED TO SPEND MORE TIME WITH HER.

THE LEAST I CAN DO IS LISTEN TO THEM.

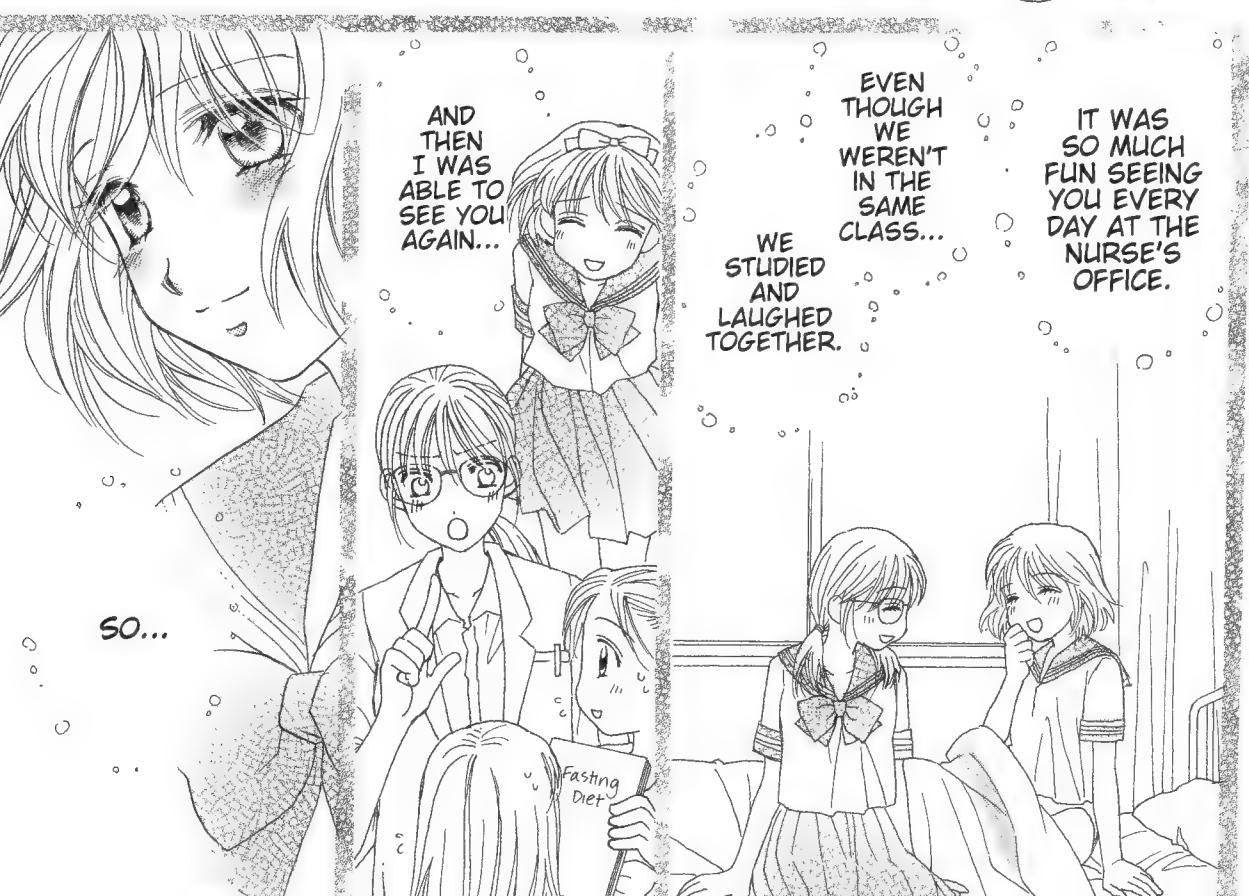
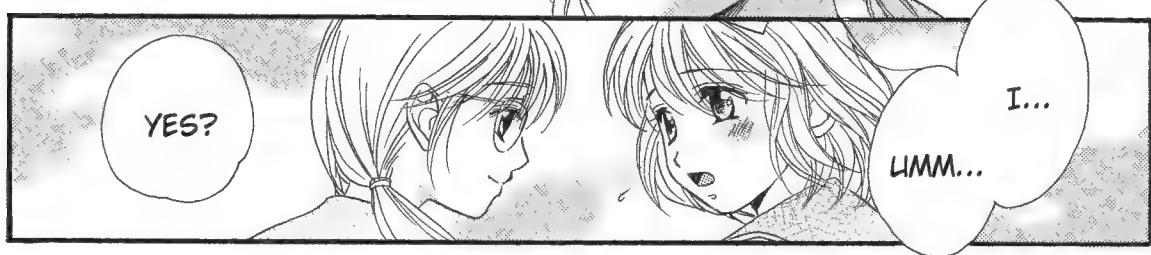
I FIGURE THAT WHEN STUDENTS COME TO ME WITH THEIR TROUBLES...

BUT IT'S NOW SUCH A BIG PART OF MY JOB.

WHEN I WAS YOUNGER, I WASN'T VERY GOOD AT TALKING TO PEOPLE...

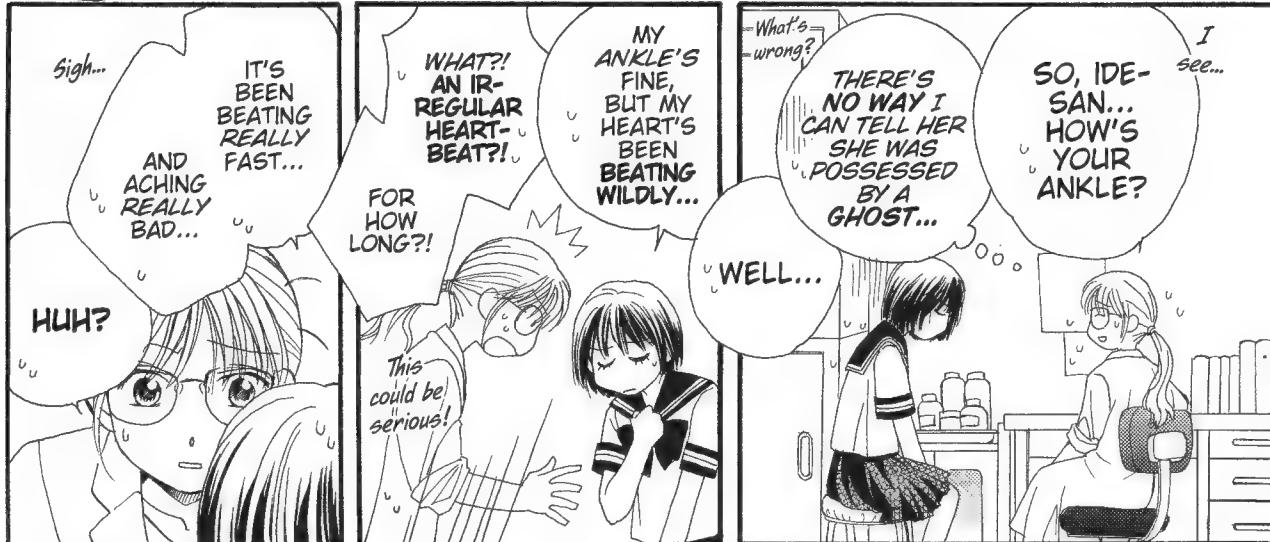
IF YOU EVER NEED TO TALK, I'M HERE FOR YOU...

...KATO-SAN.









OKAY, LET'S TRY THE SCENE WHERE THE PRINCESS IS CAPTURED.

UP UNTIL THAT MOMENT, I WAS REALLY HAPPY.

I FELT LIKE A PRINCESS.

R-
RIGHT...

Hmm...

I'M JUST NOT SURE HOW IT FEELS TO BE A "CAPTURED PRINCESS"...

WE'D STAYED AFTER SCHOOL TO PRACTICE OUR LINES.

Hmm...

WELL THEN...

I WAS CHOSEN TO STAR IN A PLAY FOR THE CULTURAL FESTIVAL...

I GOT TO BE THE PRINCESS, A ROLE ALL THE GIRLS WANTED...

BECAUSE MY PRINCE WAS TACHIBANA-SAN, A COOL AND POPULAR SEMPAI.

WHAT'S WRONG, ABE-SAN?

SLIP

UP
UNTIL
THAT
MO-
MENT...

EH...?

HOW
ABOUT
THIS?

UNRAVEL

AND IF
WE UNDO
YOUR
BRAIDS...

S-
SEMPAI...

DOES THAT
MAKE YOU
FEEL MORE
LIKE A
"CAPTURED
PRINCESS"
NOW?

THERE.
I'VE
BOUNDED
YOUR
WRISTS.



CHAPTER 3
KISS, LOVE, AND MY PRINCE







GO
APOLOGIZE
TO HER,
RIGHT
NOW!!

SHE
STARTED
CRYING AND
RAN OUT
OF THE
ROOM.

FAINT

Presi-
dent!

Crap!

BYE,
SENSEI!

THAT'S ALL
FOR TODAY.
SEE YOU
TOMORROW!

OH...
GREAT...
TIME TO
HEAD
HOME...

CHATTER
CHATTER

UHM,
CLASS IS
OVER.

OKANE

ARE YOU
SKIPPING
DRAMA
CLUB
AGAIN?
YOU'RE
STARRING
IN THE
PLAY, RIGHT?
SHOULDN'T
YOU GO TO
REHEARSAL?

ABE-CHAN?
ABE-CHAN?

IS...IS
SOMETHING
WRONG?

...THEN
YOU'RE NOT
PHYSICALLY
ATTRACTED
TO THAT
PERSON.

JUST IMAGINE
THE TWO OF
YOU KISSING.
IF YOUR FIRST
REACTION IS
"EWW!
GROSS!!"...

WHAT
?!
W- WHY
DO YOU
WANT TO
KNOW?
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NANA-
CHIN, HAVE
YOU EVER
KISSED
SOMEONE?



EVEN IF
HE WAS
JUST AN
ORDINARY
GUY...

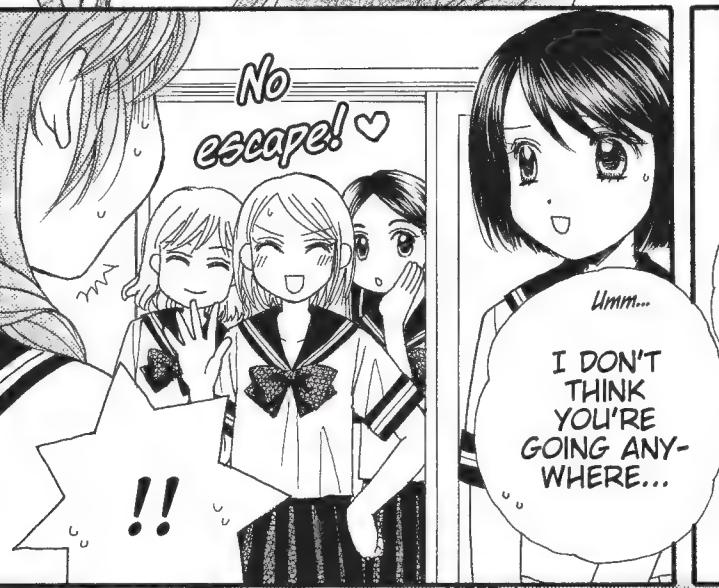
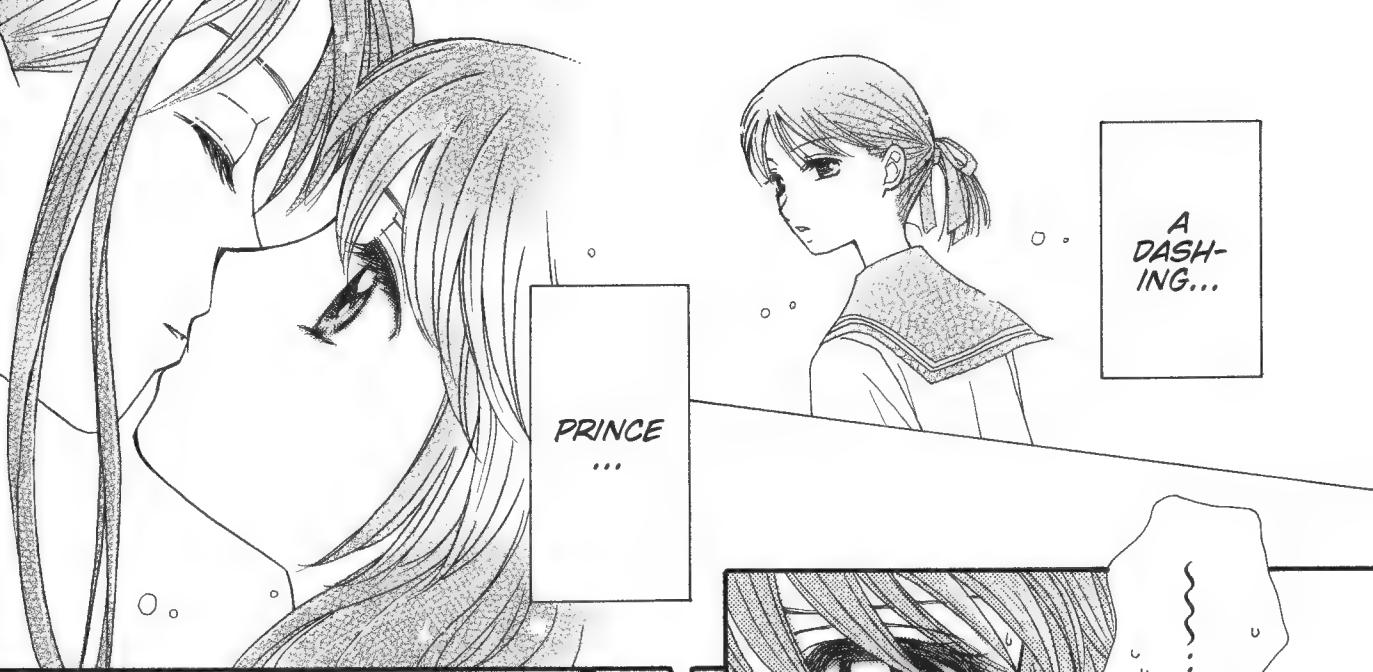
IN THAT
MOMENT,
HE WOULD
BECOME
MY
PRINCE.

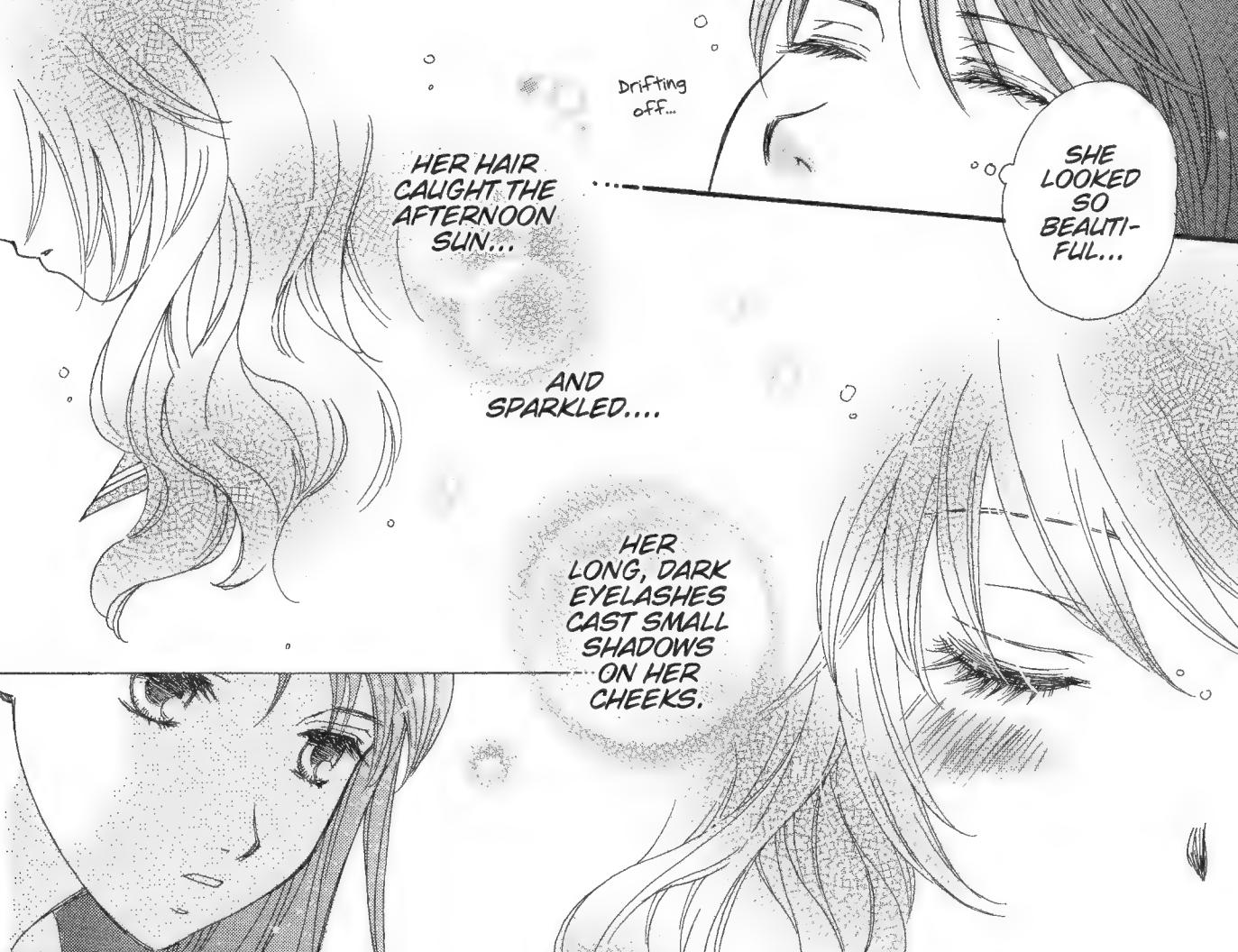
HEART LIKE A STONE
BLOD OF A KUNFE

WOULD
COME
FROM A
CUTE
BOY.

LIKE MOST
GIRLS, I
ALWAYS
THOUGHT
MY FIRST
KISS...







HER HAIR
CAUGHT THE
AFTERNOON
SUN...

Drifting
OFF...

SHE
LOOKED
SO
BEAUTI-
FUL...

AND
SPARKLED....

HER
LONG, DARK
EYELASHES
CAST SMALL
SHADOWS
ON HER
CHEEKS.



I...
SHOULDN'T
HAVE
UNTIED
HER.

MOORG

No guilt
at all!



AS SOON
AS I UNTIED
THE RIBBON,
SHE BOLTED.

BUT...





TACHIBANA-
SEMPAI DIDN'T
MEAN ANY-
THING BY IT.

I
KNOW...

SE...

SEMPAI...

HUH?

"NO
NEED..."

IF
YOU
BUT
WISH
IT..."

"OR
ANYTHING
ELSE YOU
WANT ME
TO BE,
PRINCESS."

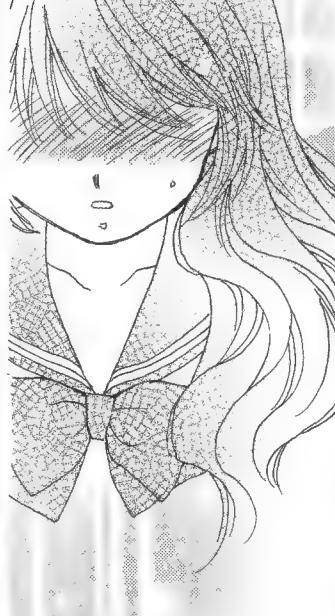
"I WILL
TURN
INTO AN
ISLAND,
OR A
ROCK..."

WHO
WERE YOU
LOOKING
AT?

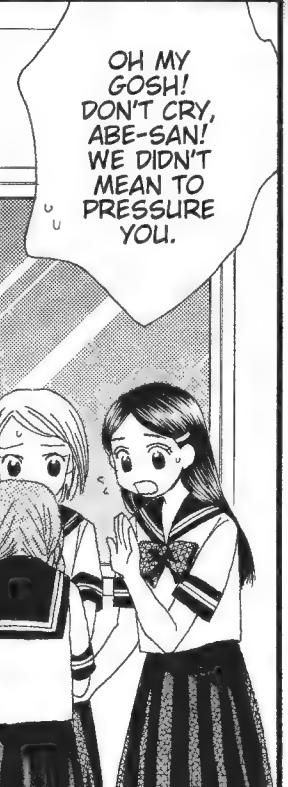
WHO
WERE YOU
CONFESSING
YOUR LOVE
TO?

WAS IT
ME, OR THE
CAPTURED
PRINCESS?

WHO
DID YOU
KISS?



SOME-
ONE
ELSE
WILL
KISS
TACHI-
BANA-
SEMPAI
...?







HUH
...?

I ONLY
AGREED TO
BE THE PRINCE
BECAUSE YOU
WERE THE
PRINCESS.

KISS
SOMEONE
I DON'T
LIKE.

Sigh...

I COULD
NEVER...

WHAT?

THEN
THAT
MEANS--!

WAIT...

...

...



I MUST
LIKE YOU
A LOT,
NARUMI-
CHAN!

SO,
UMM...

ABOUT THE
CULTURAL
FESTIVAL...



I NEVER
THOUGHT
...
THAT MY
PRINCE
WOULD
BE...

SEMPAI...

AND THEN...

SAY
IT ONE
MORE
TIME...



DID I DO
SOMETHING
STUPID
AGAIN?!

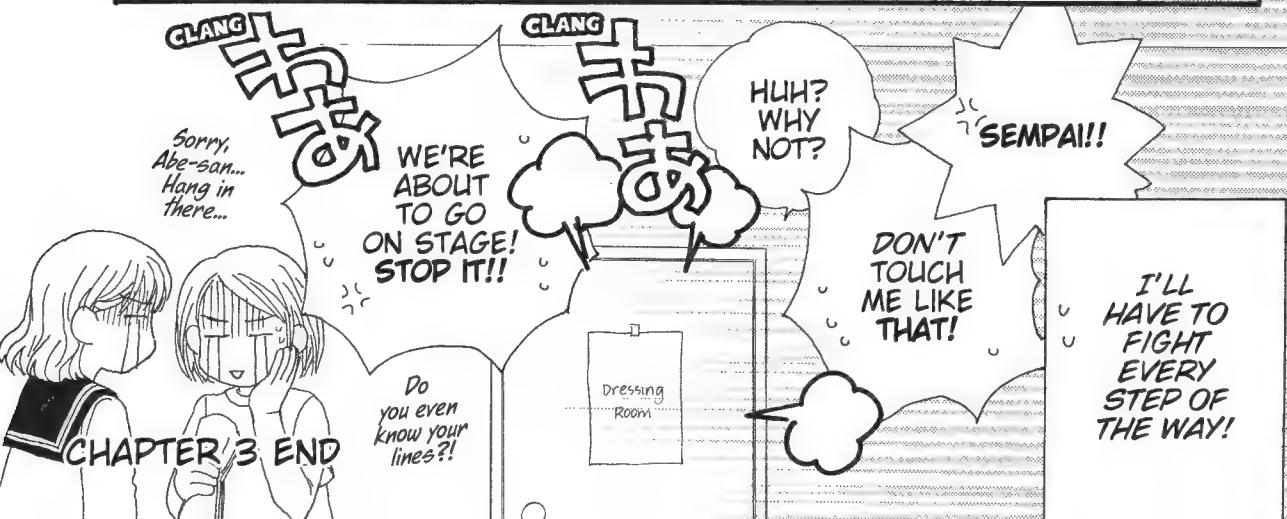
ARE YOU
CRYING?!

CRAP YOU
ARE! I'M
SORRY!

GOSH
...









くちびるためいきさくらいろ

K u c h t b i r u T a m e r k s u k u r a i r o



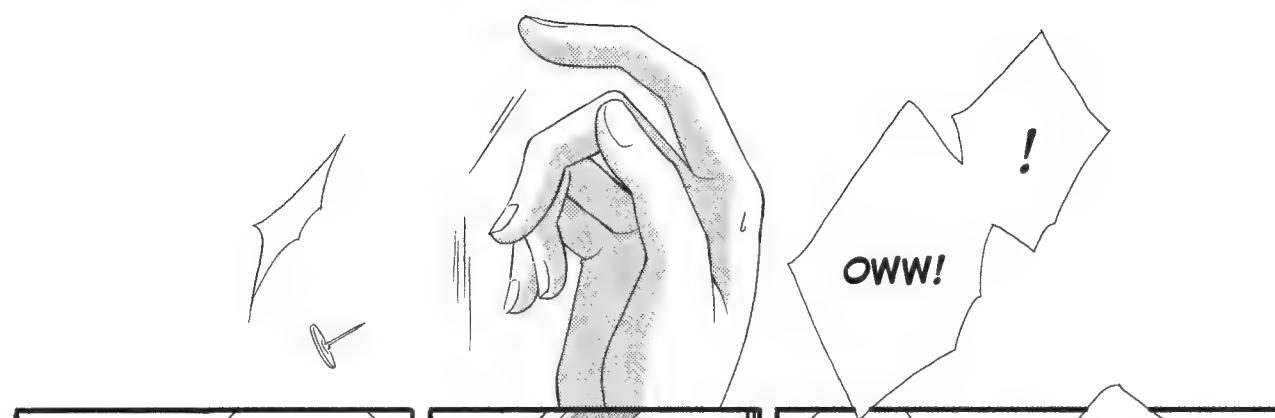


CHAPTER 4
REMEMBER THIS LOVE SOMEDAY

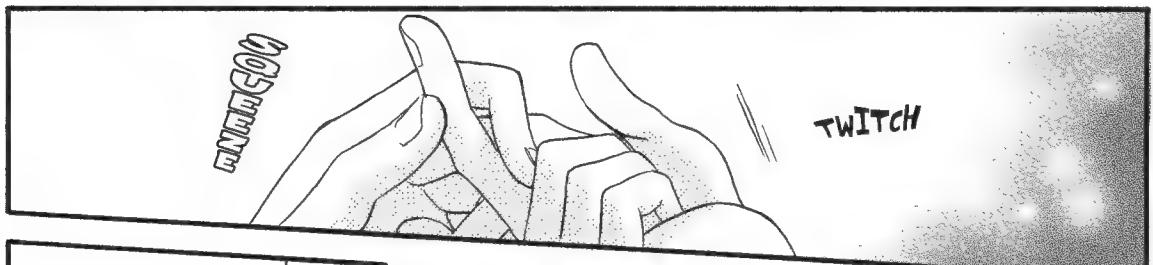
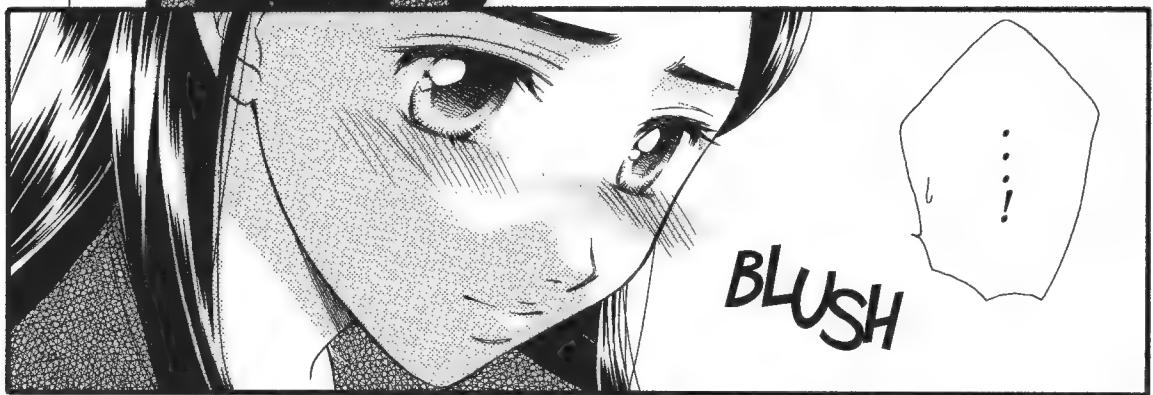
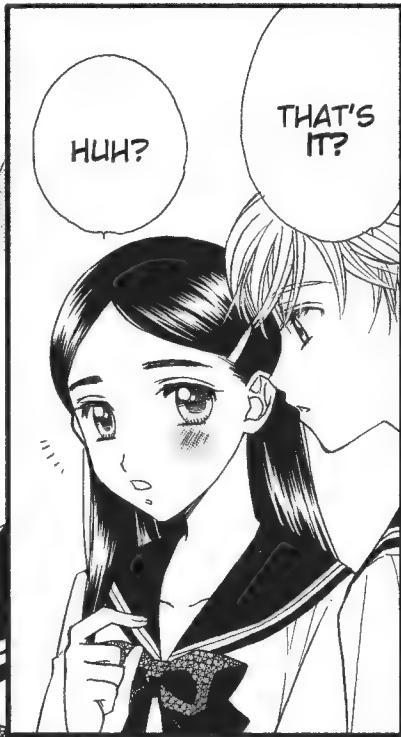


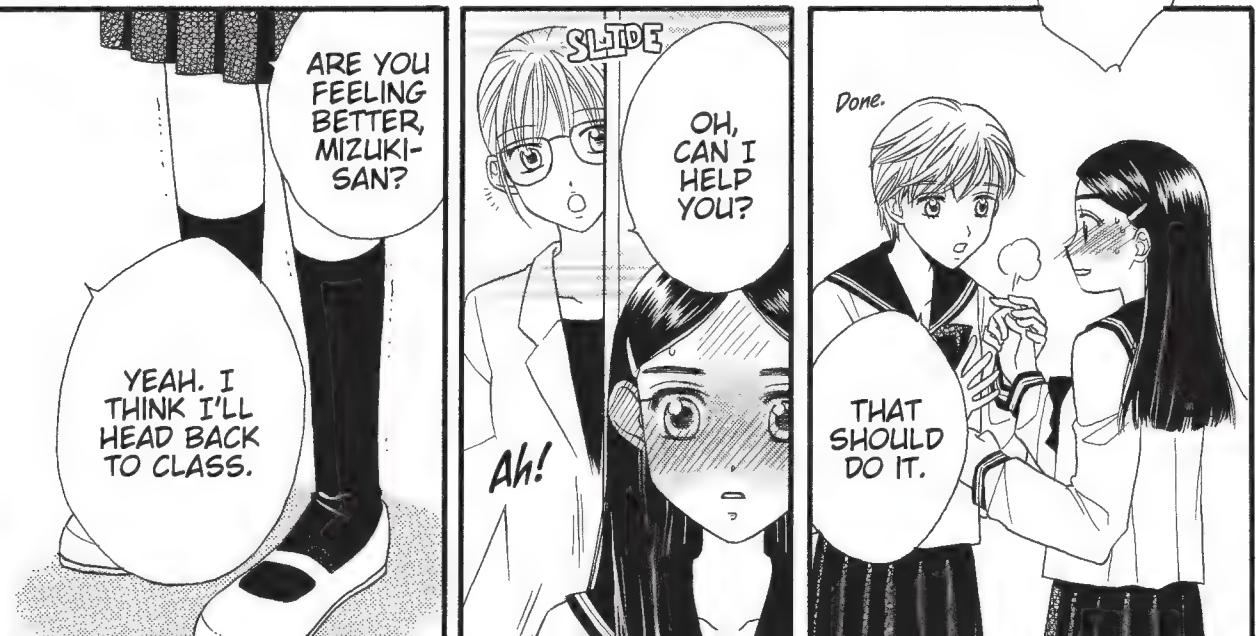
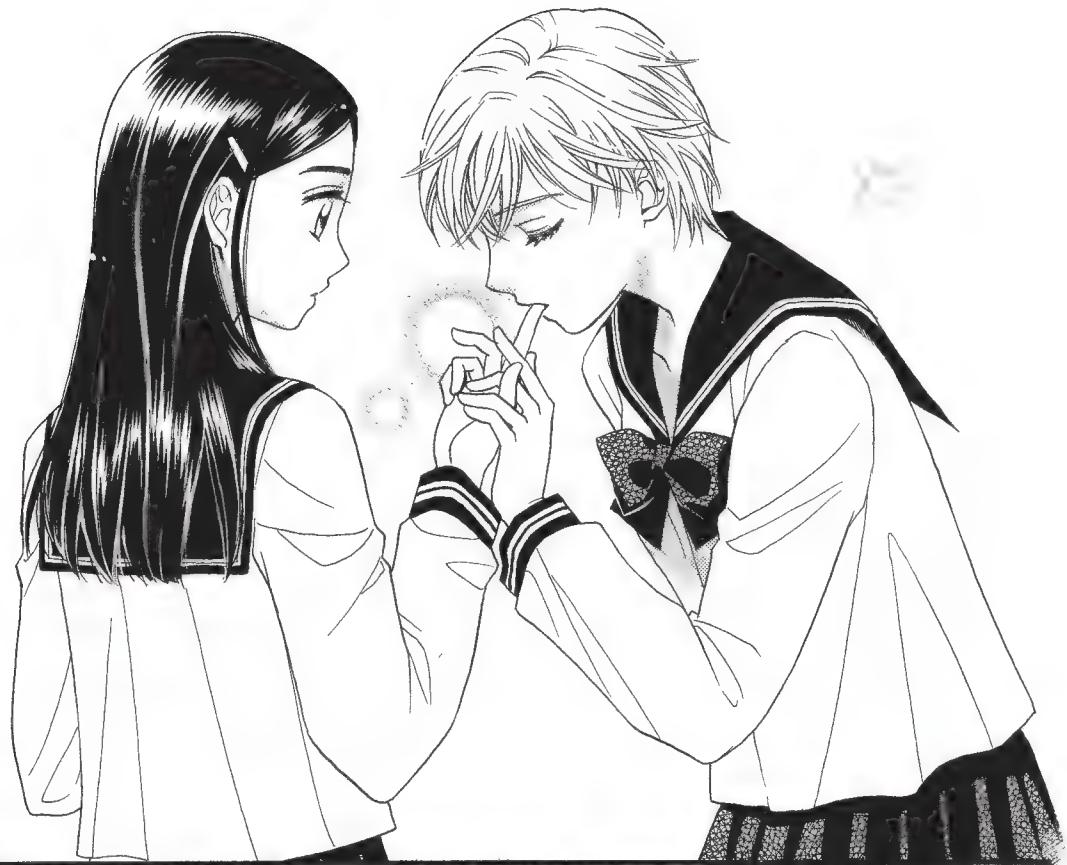
IT WAS AS
WHITE AND
SMOOTH AS
PORCELAIN.

I WOULD
WONDER
WHAT
IT FELT
LIKE...

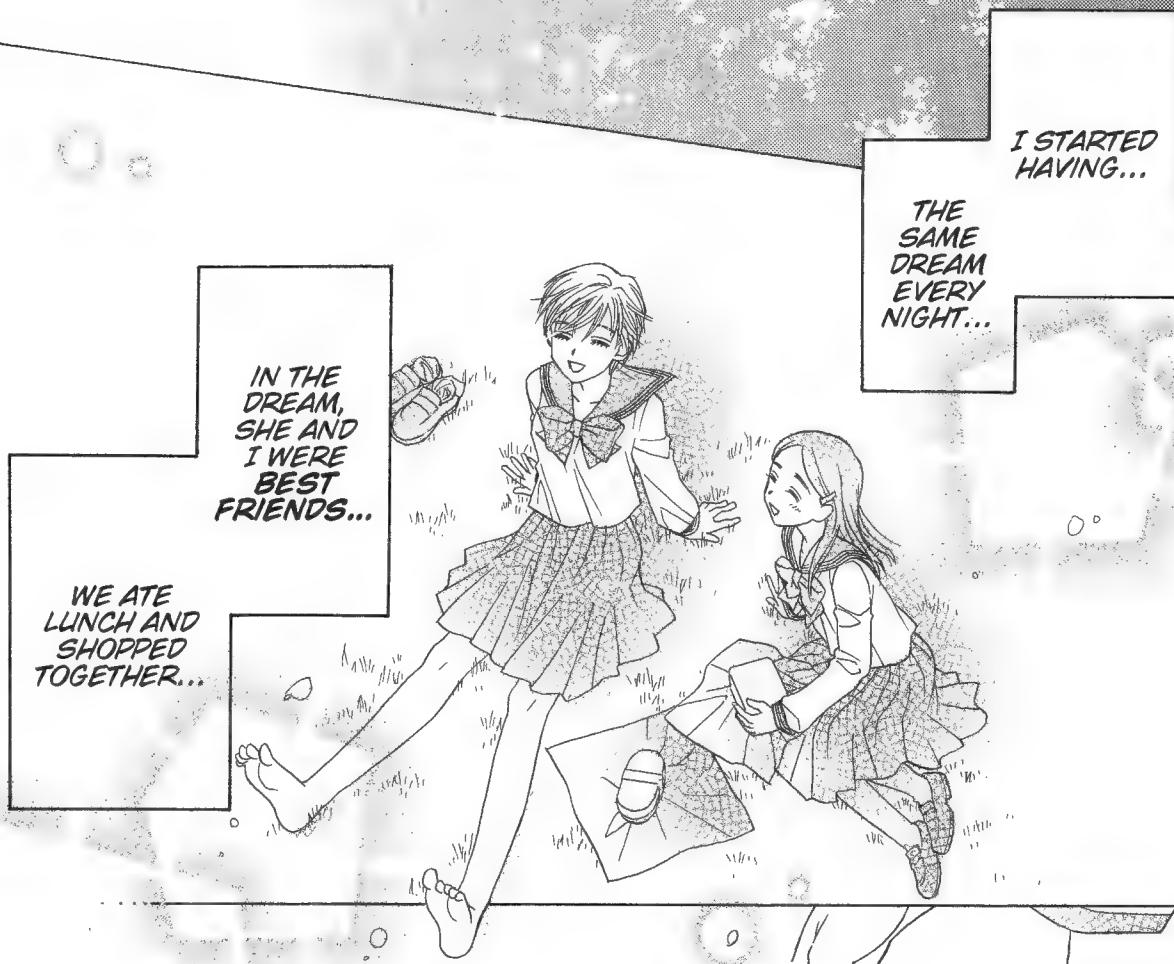












CHIRP
CHIRP
CHIRP

OH GOD...

COUGH

COUGH

I'M FINE, REALLY!

ARE YOU SURE? YOU DON'T LOOK SO GOOD.

YOU HAVE BEEN KIND OF OUT OF IT LATELY.

Don't get too close!

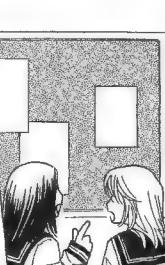
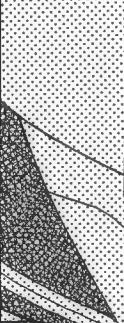
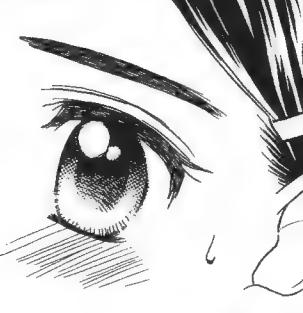
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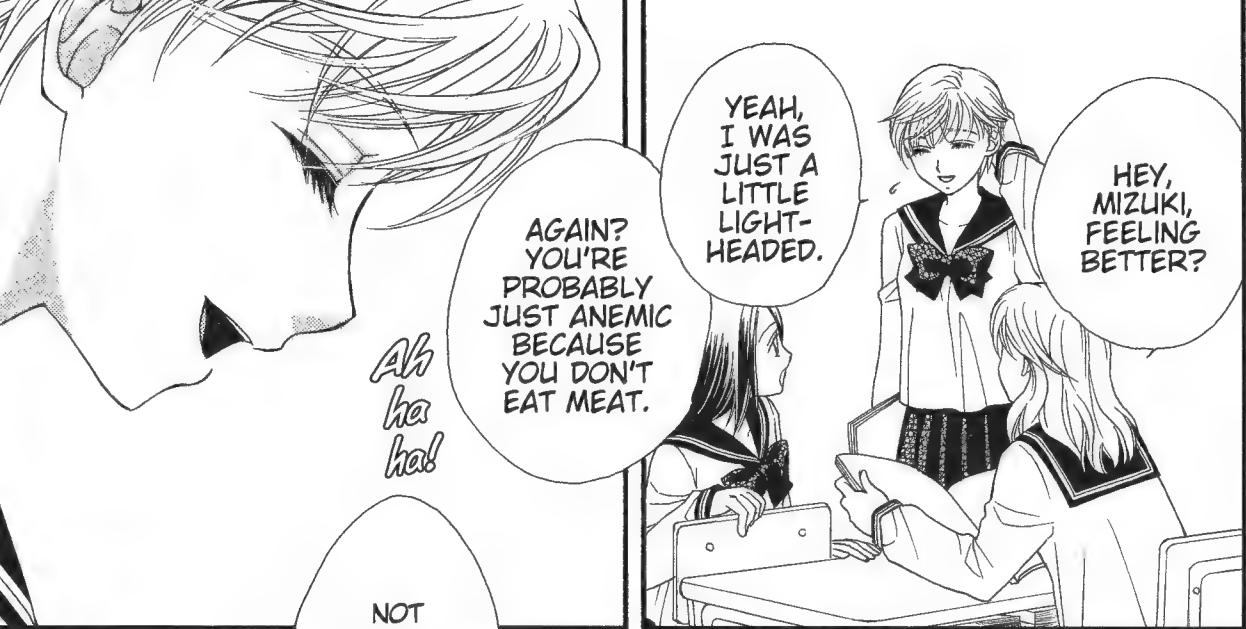
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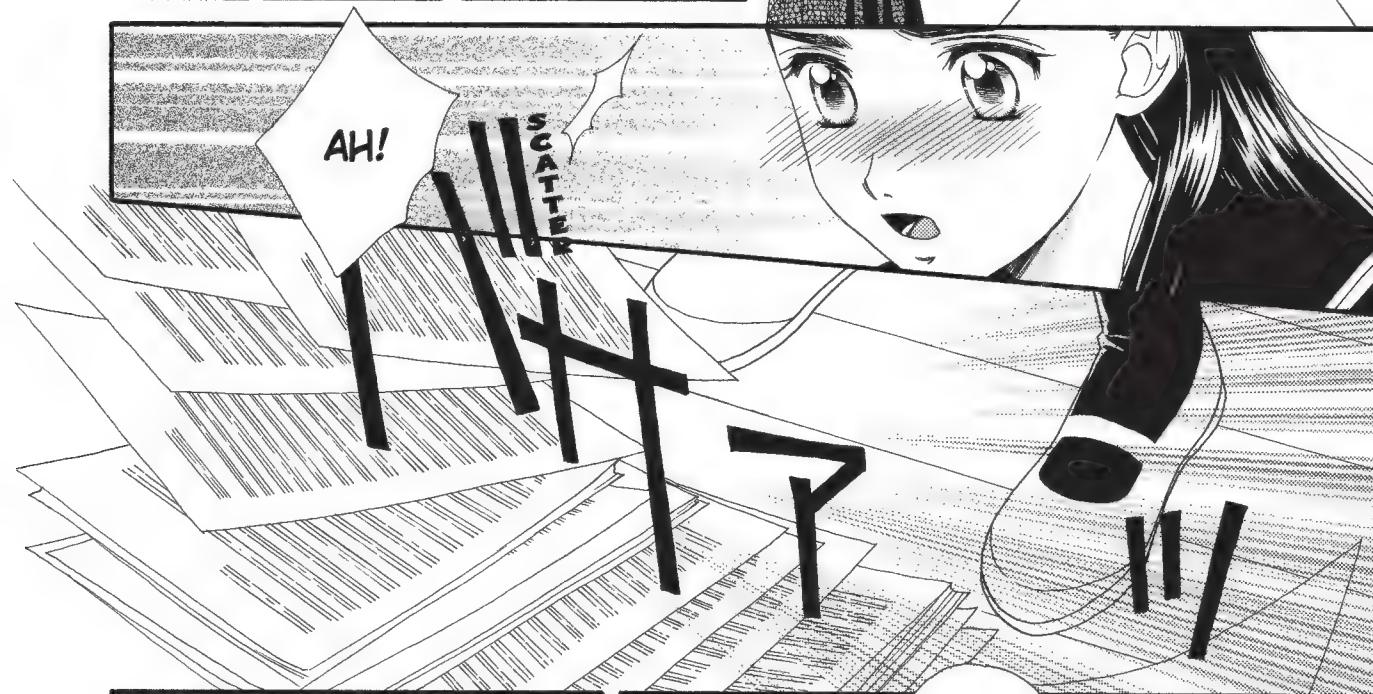
CHISATO, DO YOU HAVE A COLD?

ACTUALLY...

SHADE











SUZUKI-SAN, CAN I COME IN?

GA-CHAK

EH?

WH-
WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING
HERE?

HUH?

GOOGIE

YOU
LOOK A
LOT LIKE
YOUR
MOTHER,
SUZUKI-SAN.

IT'S
NOT
THAT
BAD...

I
WANT-
ED TO
CHECK
ON YOU...

YOU
LOOKED
REALLY
SICK
YESTER-
DAY.



I WAS NEW TO SAKURAKAI AND I DIDN'T HAVE MANY FRIENDS...

I HAD A MARK ON MY NECK AND IT STARTED A LOT OF RUMORS.

UHMM...

MIZUKI-SAN, RIGHT?

IF A TEACHER SEES YOUR NECK, YOU MIGHT GET IN TROUBLE...

I KNEW YOU MEANT WELL, BUT I WAS SO EMBARRASSED.

USE THIS TO COVER IT UP!

SURE, BUT...

IT'S OKAY. THAT WAS A LONG TIME AGO...

VOUCH

BUT I ACTED LIKE A JERK AND SNAPPED AT YOU.

Haha!

YOU WERE REALLY NICE AND WAITED UNTIL WE WERE ALONE...

I STILL REMEM-BER...

THE RED MARK ON HER NECK.

I'M STILL REALLY SORRY.

DO YOU...
LIKE YOUR BOY-FRIEND?

WHEN SHE WAS MEAN TO ME BEFORE, IT REALLY HURT...

BUT NOW THAT SHE'S BEING NICE TO ME, SOMEHOW IT HURTS EVEN MORE.

HUH?

CLASP

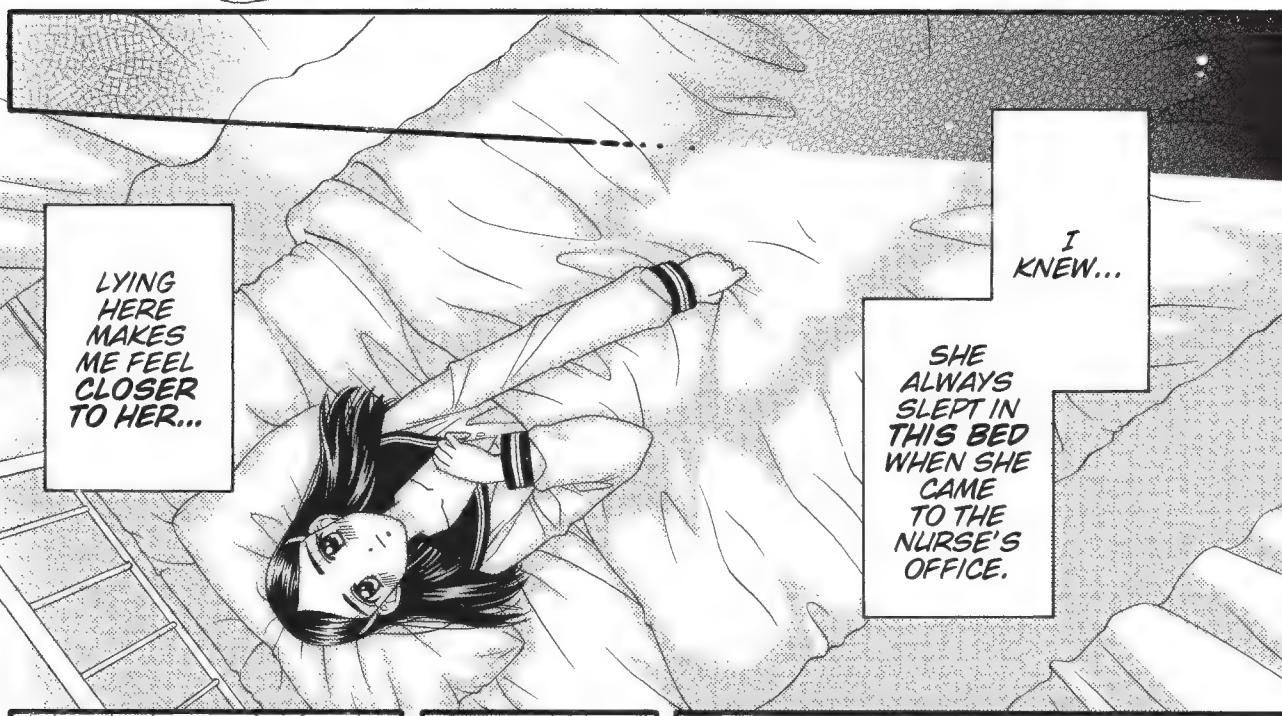
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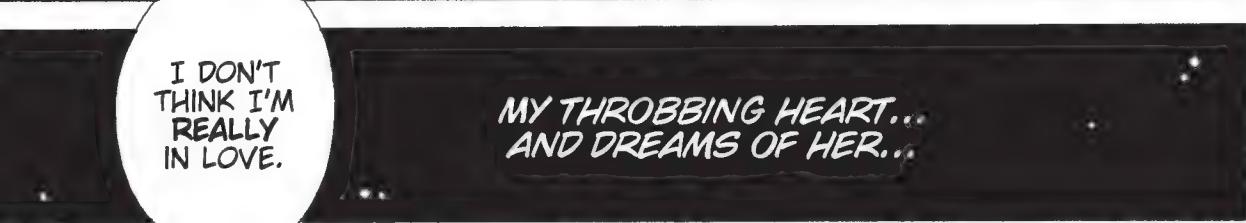
UHH, YEAH, IT WAS. BUT I'M GOING OUT WITH A DIFFERENT GUY NOW...

!!!
Ah ha ha!

I SEE...







IT'S JUST A CRUSH. THAT'S ALL.

THE WAY I FEEL ABOUT HER...

I KNOW I'M GETTING MYSELF WORKED UP OVER NOTHING.

I MEAN, WHAT IF I EVER FALL IN LOVE FOR REAL?!

IS IT SILLY TO WORRY SO MUCH ABOUT IT?

WHAT IF IT HURTS EVEN MORE THAN THIS?

I DON'T USUALLY GO ON AND ON LIKE THIS...

I'M SORRY...

Ha!

THAT'S WHY I DON'T WANT TO FALL IN LOVE.

I DON'T THINK I'D BE ABLE TO HANDLE THE PAIN.

FIND
MY TRUE
LOVE...?
REALLY?

AND YOU'LL
FIND YOUR
TRUE LOVE,
SUZUKI-SAN.

SOME-
DAY THE
PAIN WILL
FADE...

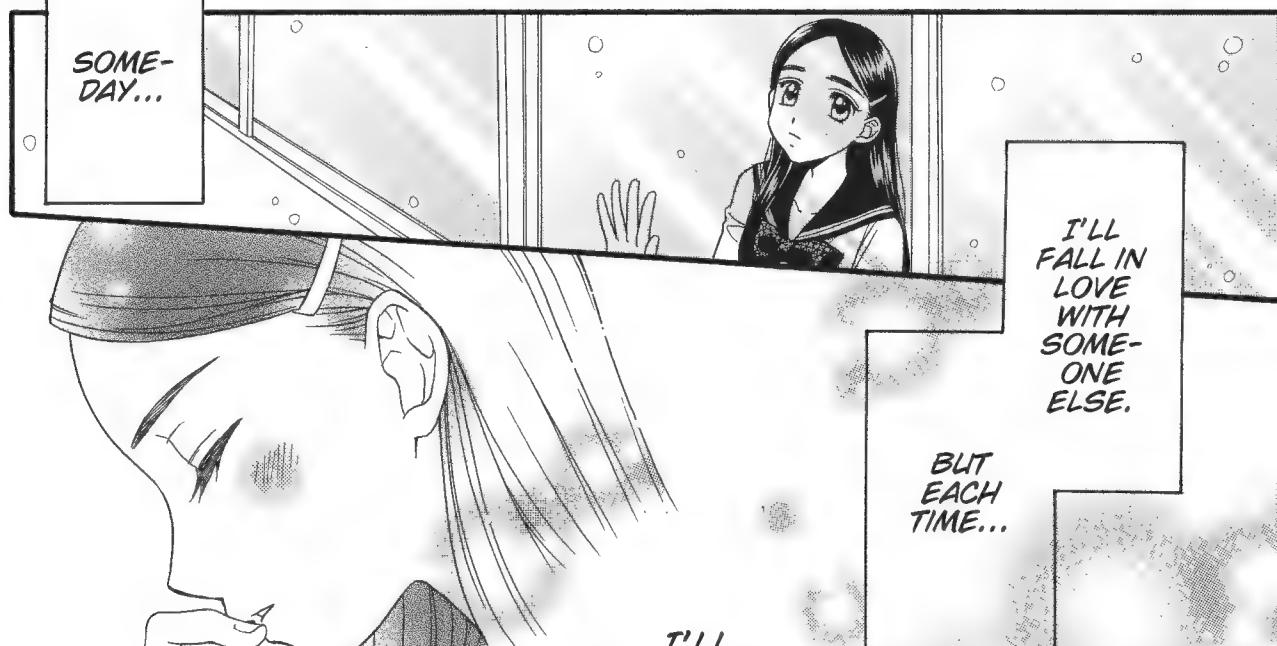
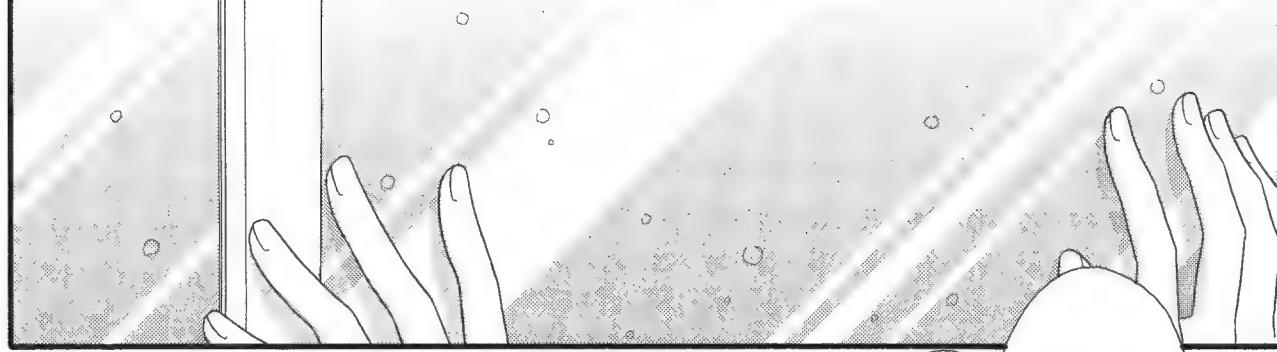
SENSEI?

DON'T
WORRY.

I'LL FALL
IN LOVE
WITH SOME-
ONE OTHER
THAN HER...

YES,
SOMEDAY...





I'LL REMEMBER MY FIRST LOVE.

CHAPTER 4 END

CHAPTER 5
IF I KISS HER RING FINGER





HER LONG
FINGERS
THREAD
THROUGH
MY HAIR...



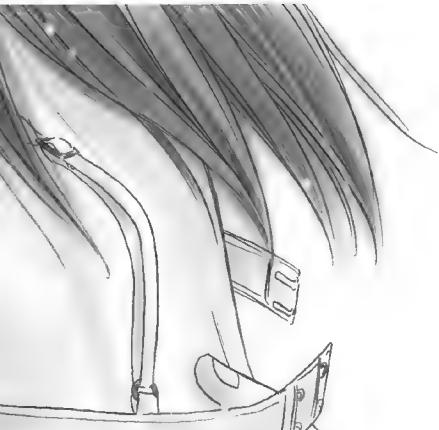
WHEN I
OPEN MY
EYES...



AND
HER
SOFT
LIPS...



I
SEE HER
BEAUTIFUL,
SMOOTH
SKIN...



WHEN
SHE CALLS
MY NAME...



I FEEL
LIKE
CRYING...



I WRAP
MY ARMS
AROUND
HER...

WE PRESS
AGAINST
EACH OTHER,
LEAVING NO
GAPS...



WE LOOK INTO
EACH OTHER'S EYES
AND KISS UNTIL THE
WORLD MELTS AWAY...



AND
THEN...

THE FEAR WE HAVE IN OUR
HEARTS DISAPPEARS...

BEEP

BEEP

BEEP

BEEP

SLAM

BECAUSE
WE HAVE
EACH
OTHER...

CLICK

!!

I'M
IN THE
MIDDLE
OF MID-
TERMS...

BUT I
HAVEN'T
BEEN
SLEEPING
MUCH.

Jeez...

OH MY
GOD!

WHAT A
DREAM...

Nana,
time to
get up!

BA-THUMP

BA-THUMP

CHIRP
チュー
シュー

GASPO

GASPO

...



BUT...

TODAY
I CAN
FINALLY
SEE
HER.

I JUST
HOPE I
DON'T
BOMB
MY MID-
TERMS.

I'VE
BEEN
PRACTICALLY
SLEEP-
WALKING
THROUGH
SCHOOL...

Sigh...

...MAYBE
THAT'S
WHY I
HAD THAT
DREAM...

I WANTED
TO FOCUS
ON STUDYING,
SO I HAVEN'T
CALLED OR
TEXTED HER
AT ALL THIS
WEEK.

NANA!
SORRY
FOR
BEING
LATE!!

HM,
THIS
MODEL
LOOKS
LIKE
HER...

I
MEAN,
WE
HAVEN'T
GONE
THAT
FAR
YET...

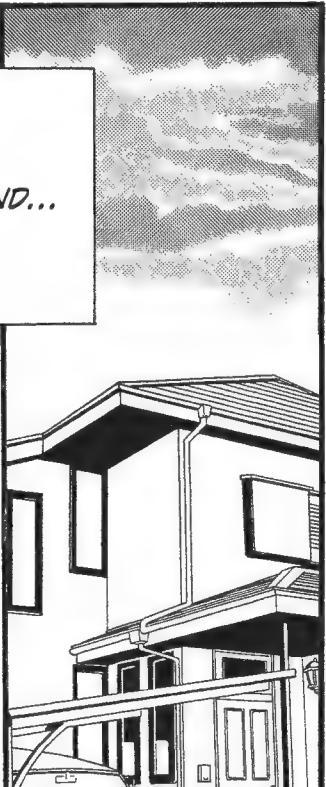
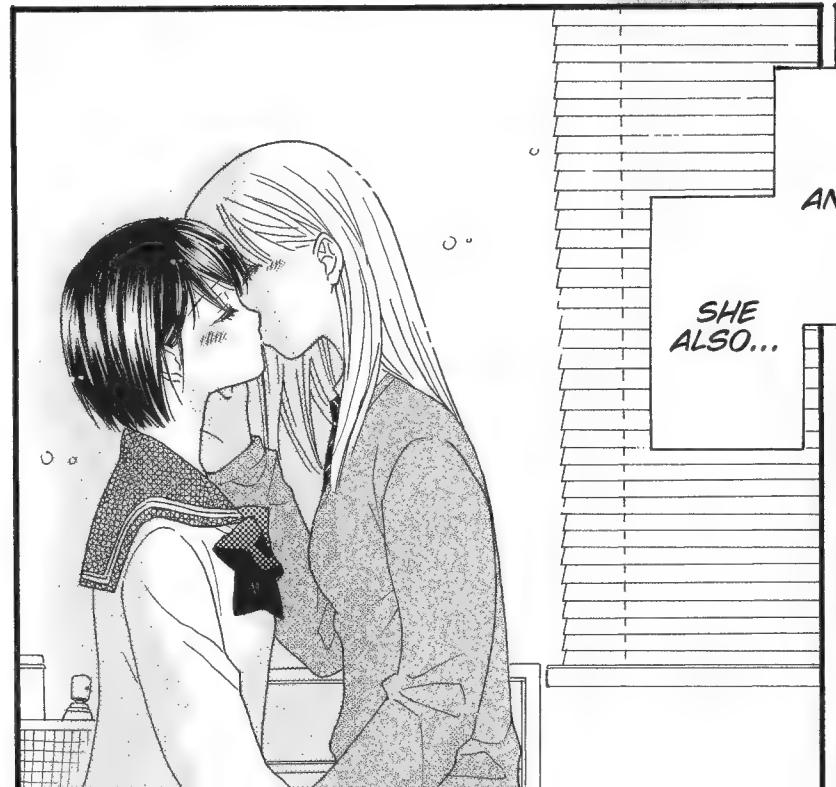
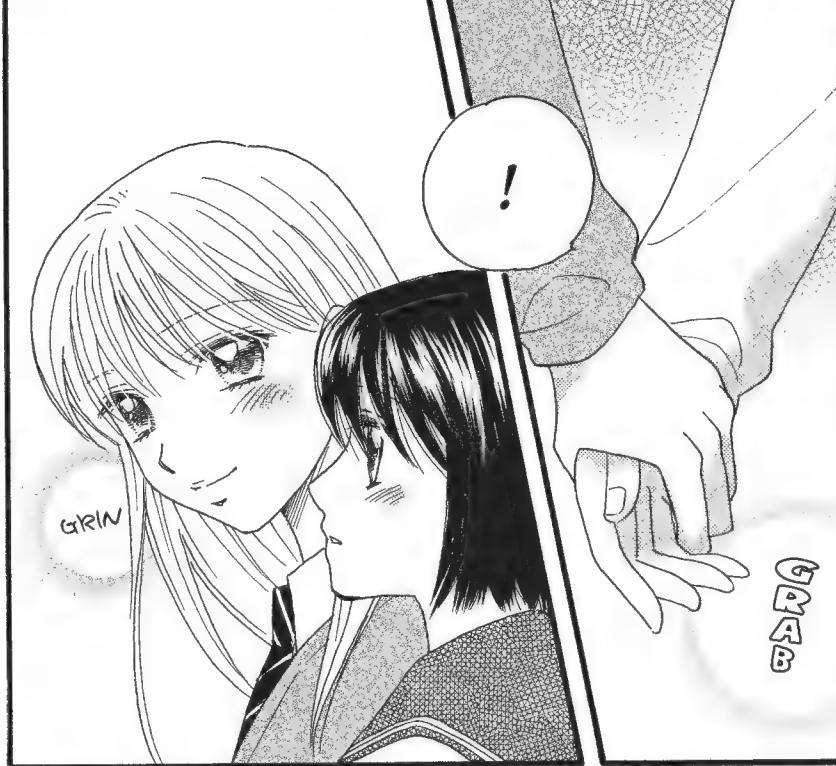
WHY
WOULD I
DREAM
THAT?

THOUGH
WE HAVE
KISSED...

GLOMP
DROP

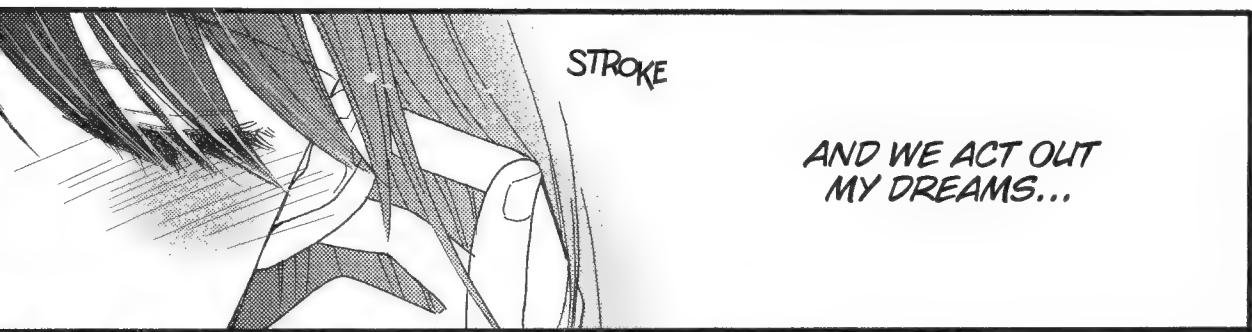








SHE TELLS ME WHAT I WANT TO HEAR...





I'M A BIT RELIEVED

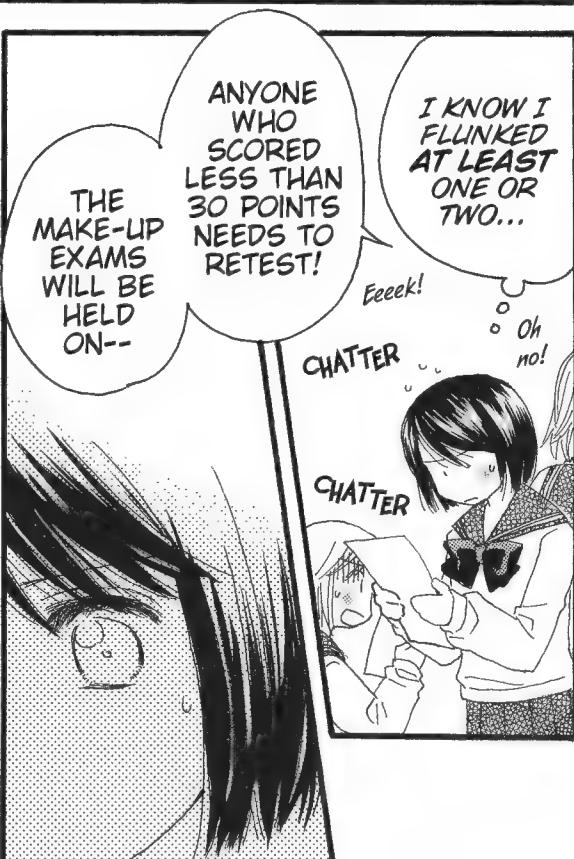
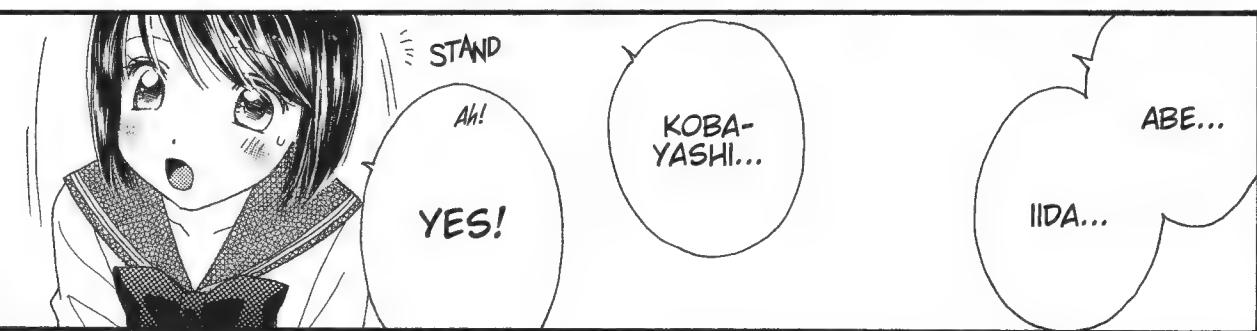
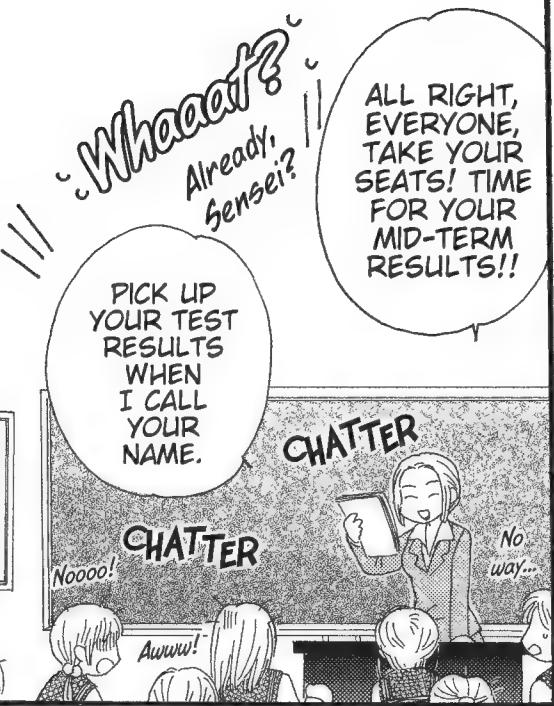
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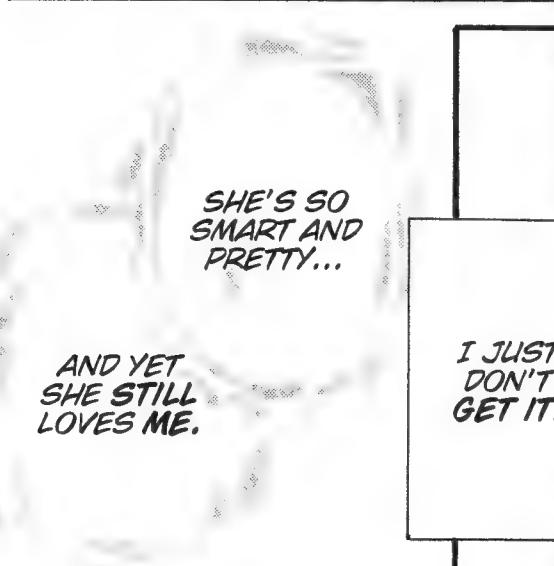
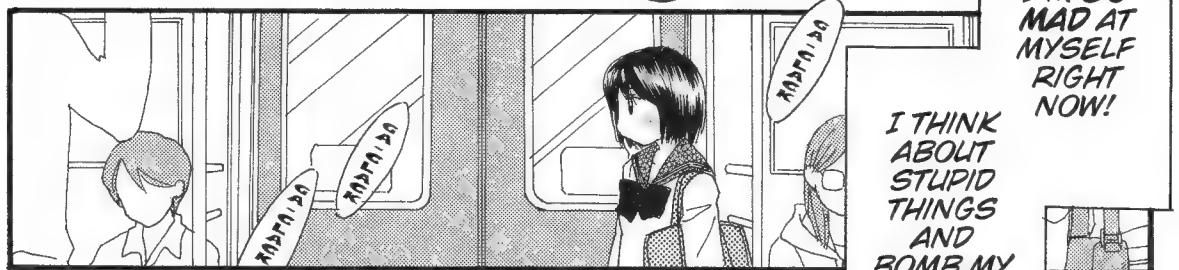
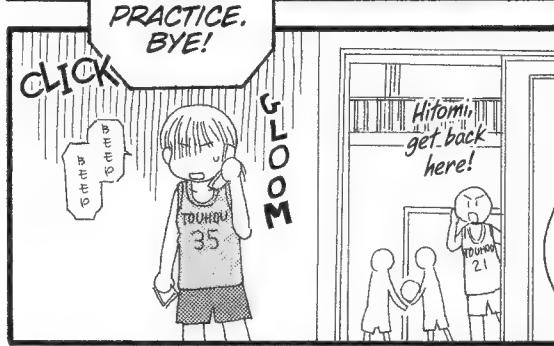


YOU MADE A GREAT PRINCESS, ABE-CHAN.

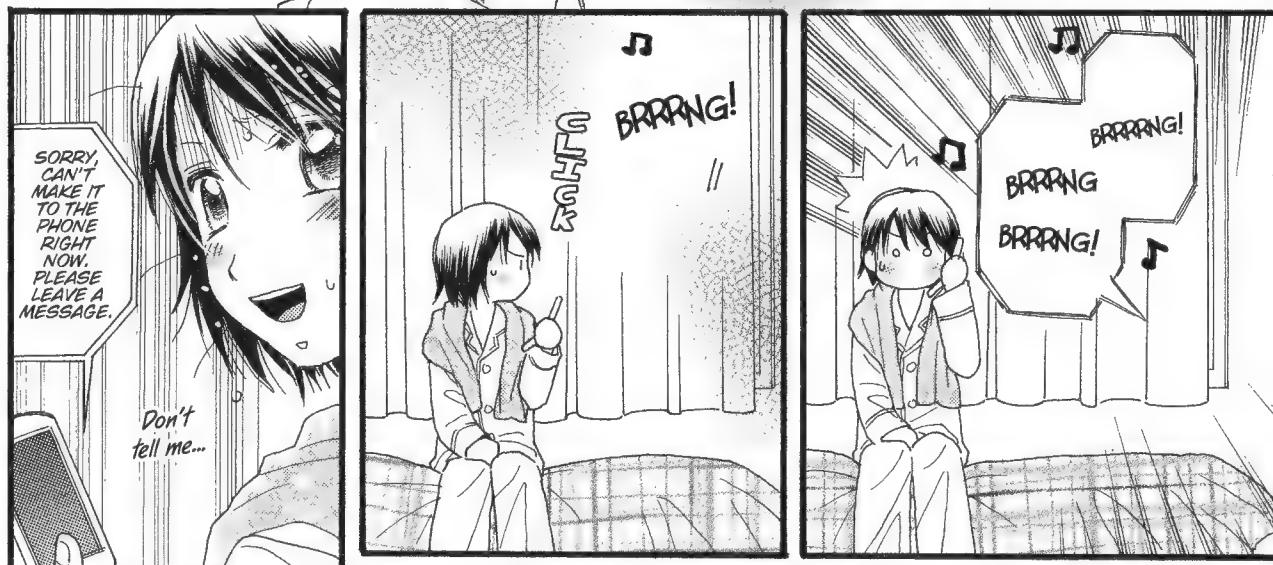
BUT THE PLAY WAS FANTASTIC!

NANA-CHAN, WHY ARE YOU BLUSHING?

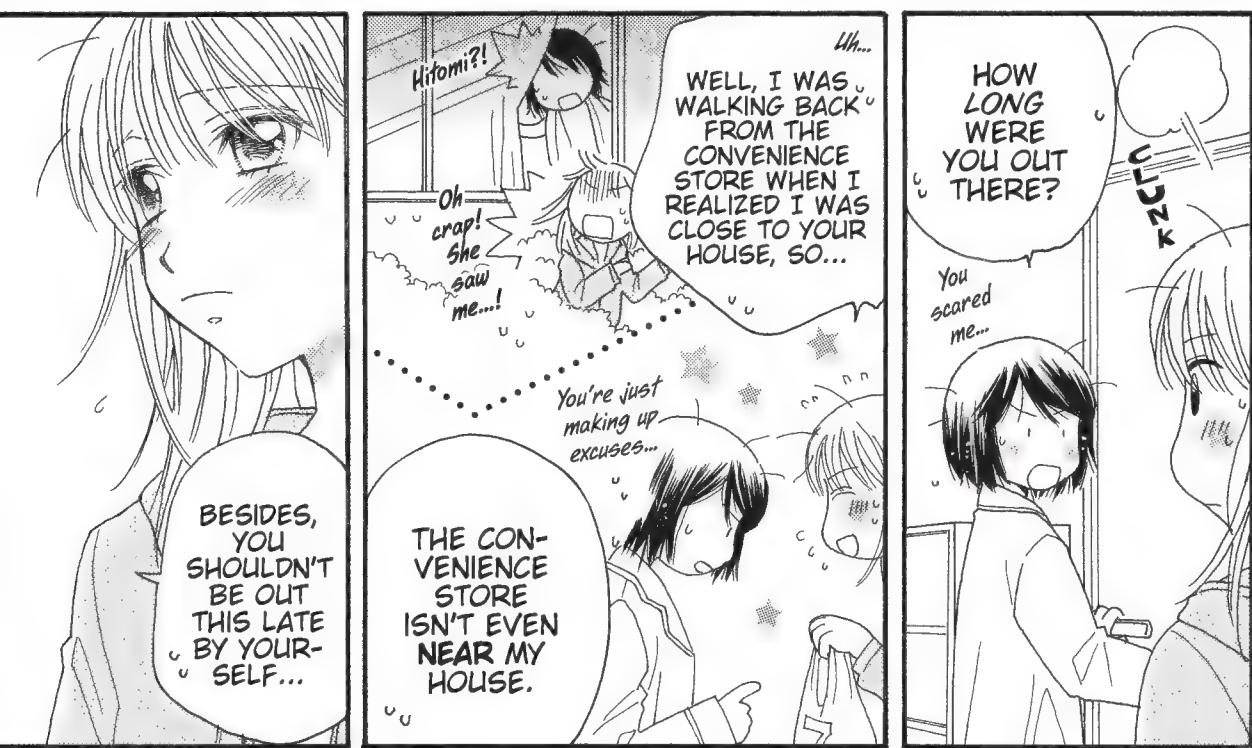


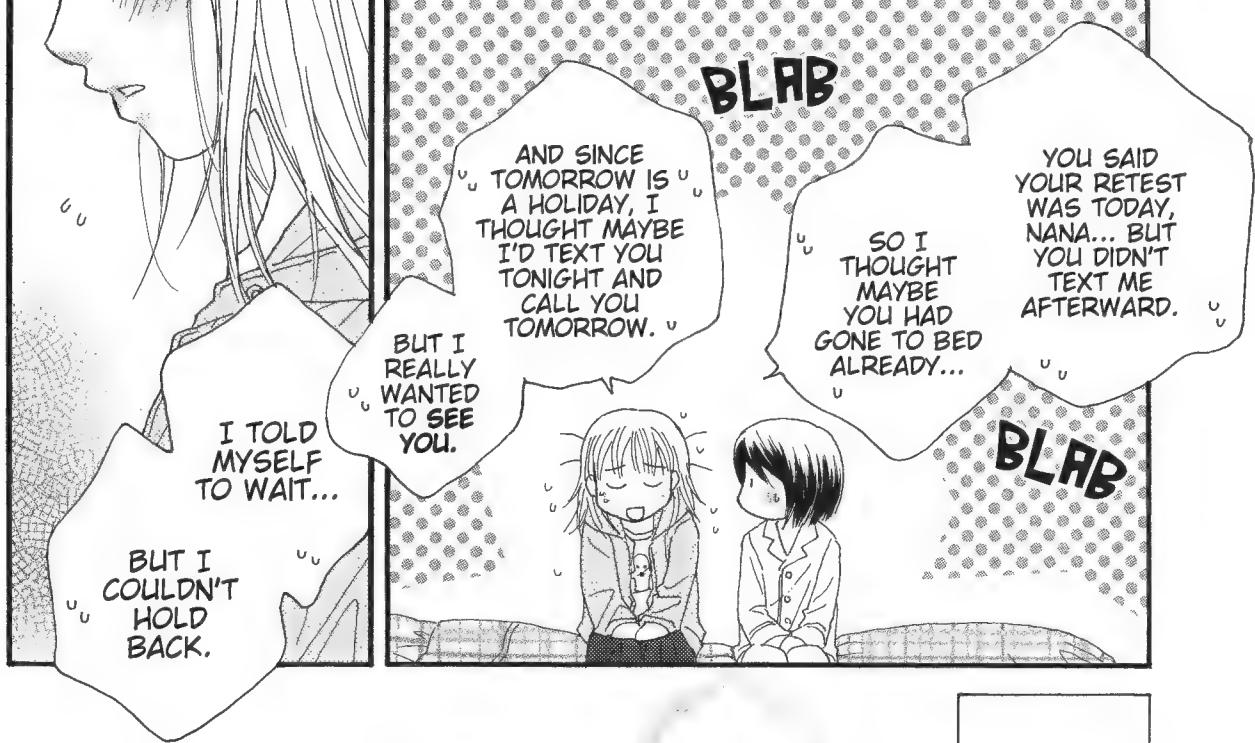






↑ Doraemon ring tone!







BECAUSE I'M IN
LOVE WITH HER.

TO
SEE YOU,
TOO.

I
WANTED...



I
But...
THOUGHT
YOU DIDN'T
WANT TO
GO ANY
FURTHER,
NANA.



I'M ALWAYS WORRIED THAT THE MALE TEACHERS AT YOUR SCHOOL MIGHT NOTICE AND START HITTING ON YOU... OR PERVERTS ON THE TRAINS... OR EVEN OTHER GIRLS BECAUSE YOU'RE JUST THAT CUTE--



IN FACT... YOU GROW PRETTIER EVERY DAY...

AS CUTE AND PRETTY AS YOU, NANA!

Jeez!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? THERE'S NO OTHER GIRL...

What, the hell?

Nana, you're adorable! I wuv you!

SNUGGLE
SNUGGLE

Junior High

HITOMI HAS ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THIS.

COME TO THINK OF IT...

NO, LET ME SAY IT...

I ALWAYS THOUGHT...

I LOVE YOU SO MUCH.

I LOVE YOU.

YOU'RE REALLY CUTE. I LOVE YOU.

NANA...

ME?
BUT
WHY?

I
LOVE
YOU.

ME?
NO
WAY.

NANA,
YOU'RE
REALLY
CUTE.

AND MY
HEART
TWISTED
INSIDE MY
CHEST.

I
COULDN'T
BELIEVE
HER
WORDS...

BUT
NOW...

I JUST
WANT TO
HOLD YOU.

I WANT YOU
IN MY ARMS.
I WANT TO
GET CLOSER,
TO KNOW
YOU MORE...

AND GIVE
EVERYTHING
TO YOU.





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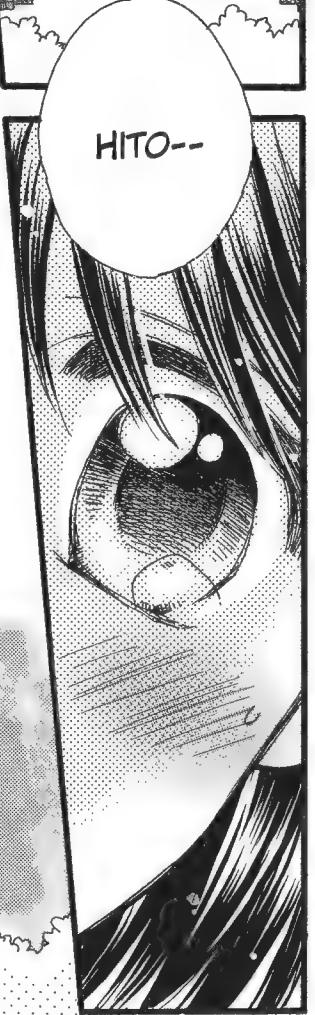
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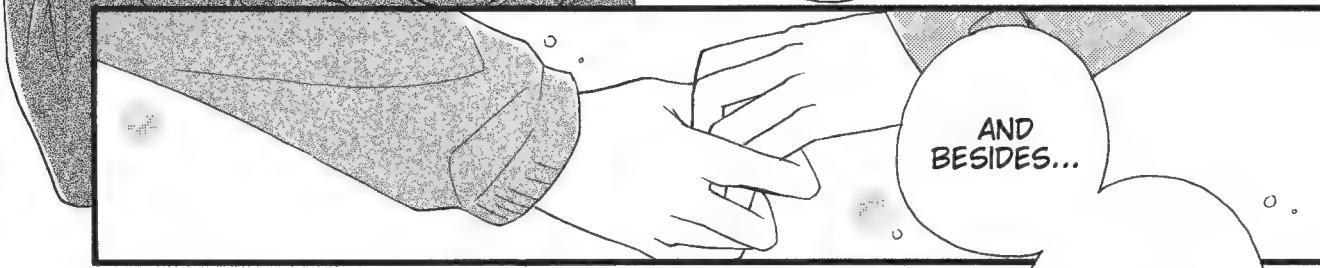


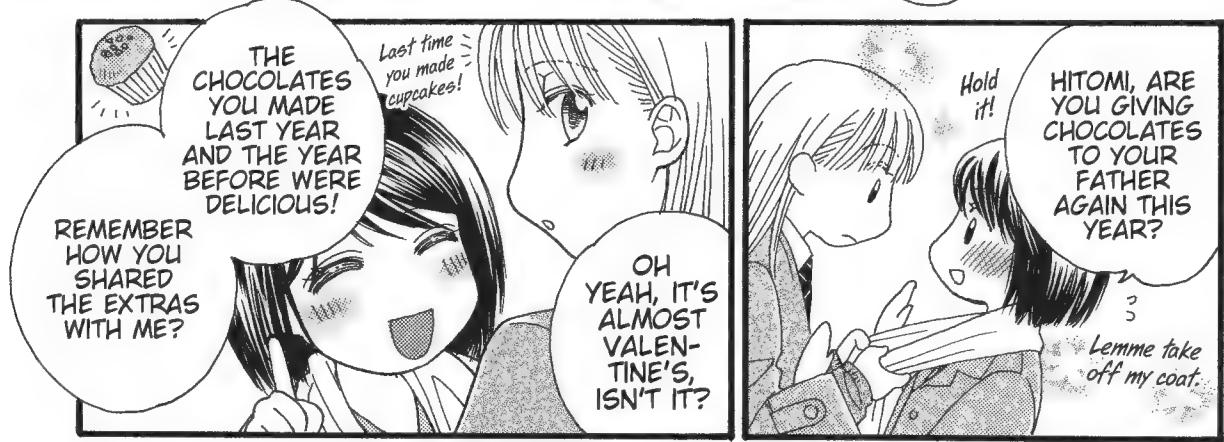


CHAPTER 6 CHOCOLATE KISS KISS

TO
HITOMI,
MY
GIRLFRIEND...









SHE MADE THEM...



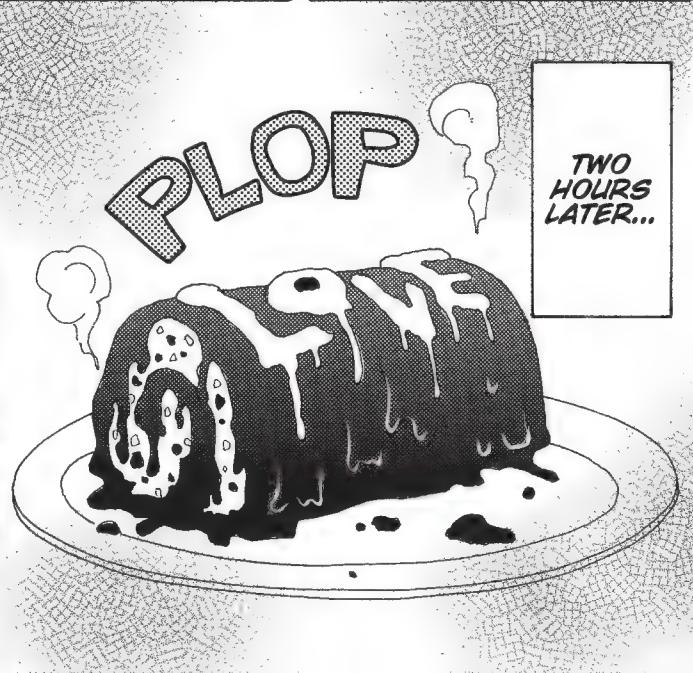
HAS
HITOMI...

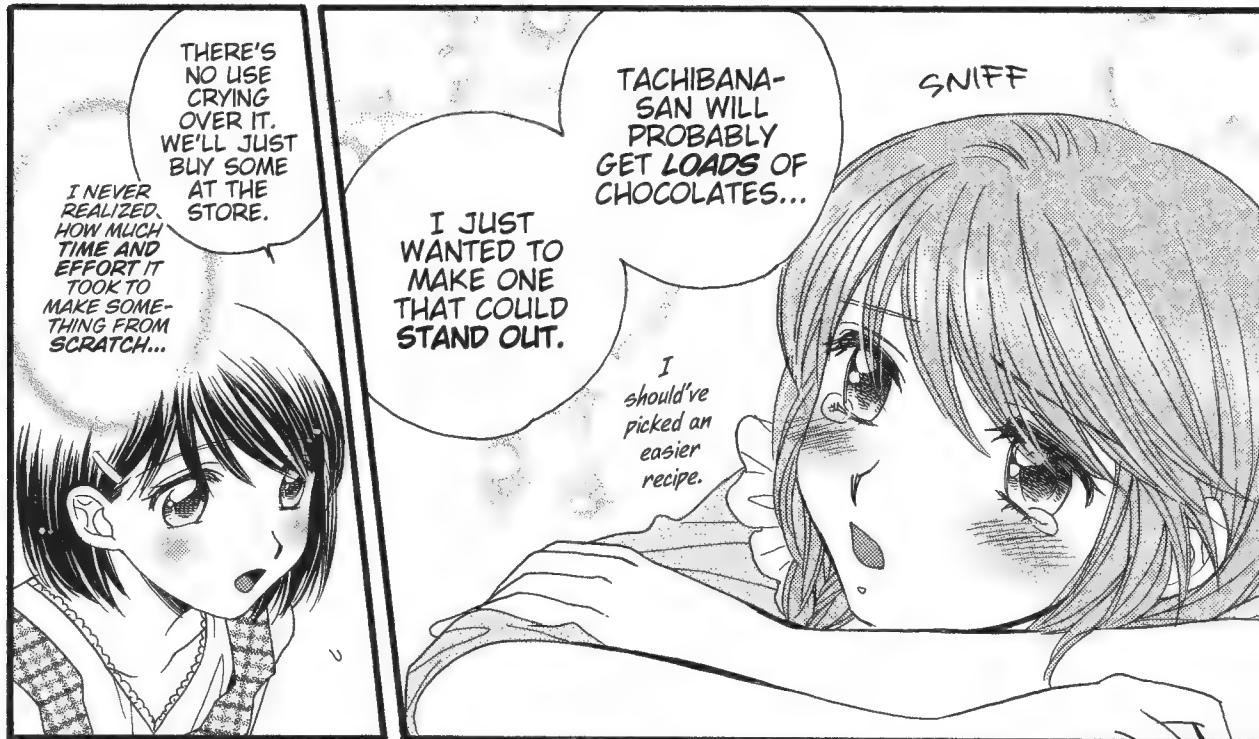
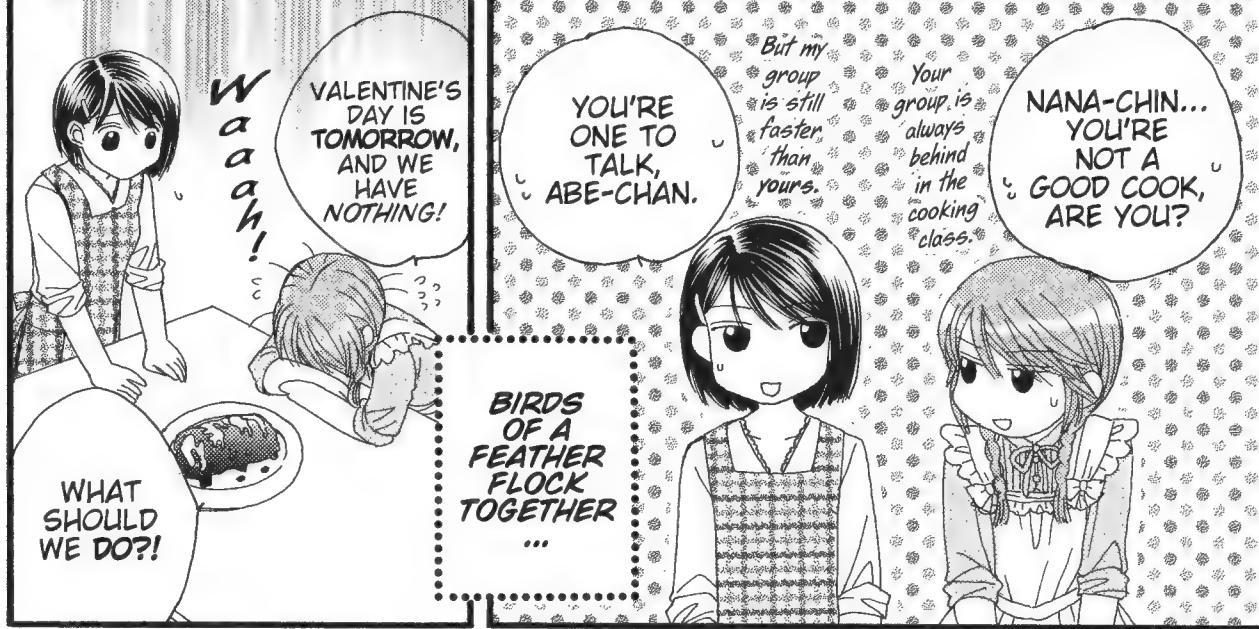
BEEN
IN LOVE
WITH ME
THAT
LONG?

OF
COURSE...
BACK THEN
I NEVER
PLANNED
ON TELLING
YOU HOW I
REALLY
FELT.









LAST
YEAR,
AROUND
THIS
TIME...

BUT IF
HITOMI'S
MAKING
HOMEMADE
CHOCOLATES,
IT FEELS CHEAP
TO GET HER A
STORE BOUGHT
GIFT...

I
GUESS I
BETTER
BUY
SOME...



Huh...

GUESS
WE'RE NOT
THE ONLY
ONES...

Should I
jump into
the fray?

HOW
MUCH...

I
HURT
HER
BEFORE.



WHEN
SHE MADE
CHOCO-
LATES
FOR ME
ANYWAY?

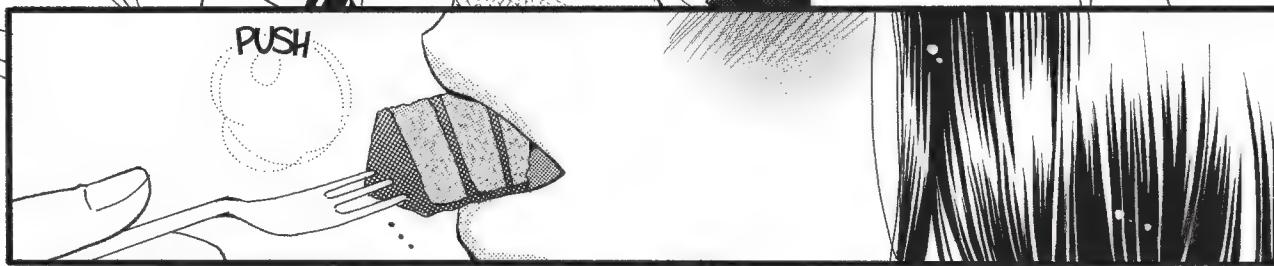
HOW DID
HITOMI
FEEL...

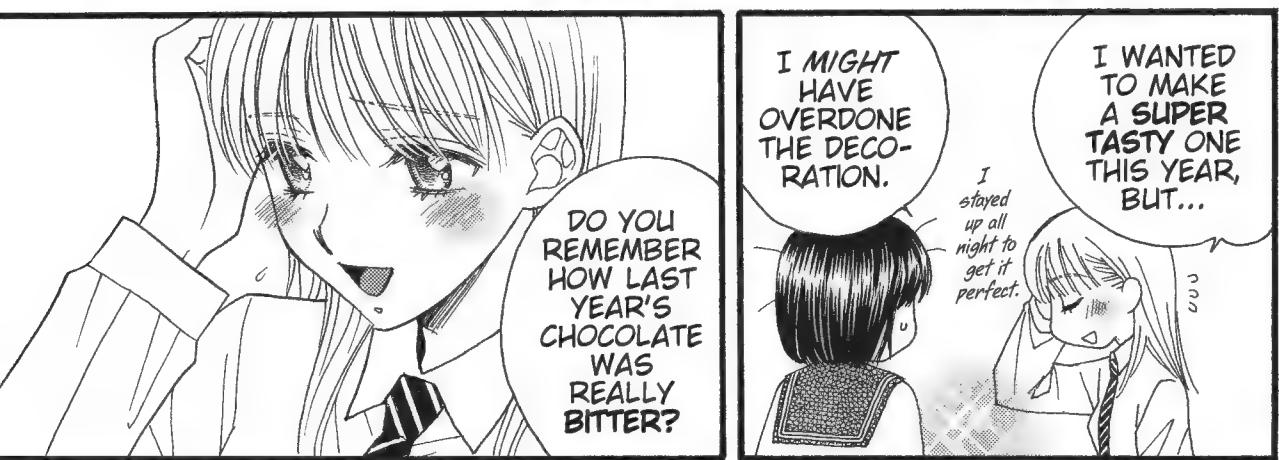
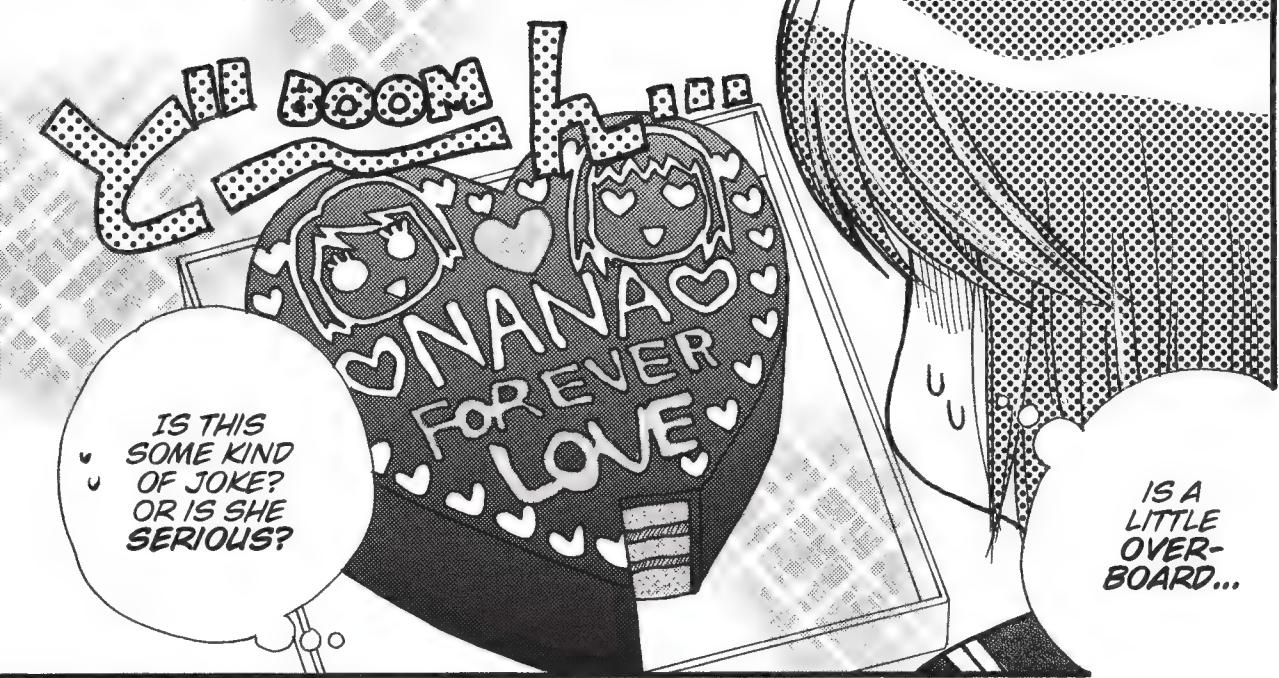
EVEN
THOUGH
I KNEW
HER FEEL-
INGS...
I ACTED
LIKE I
DIDN'T
NOTICE.



















OUR
FRIENDS...
TEACHERS...

EVEN OUR
FAMILY...

BUT I
WOULDN'T
HAVE BEEN
ABLE TO HIDE
MY FEELINGS
FOR YOU
FROM THE
WORLD...

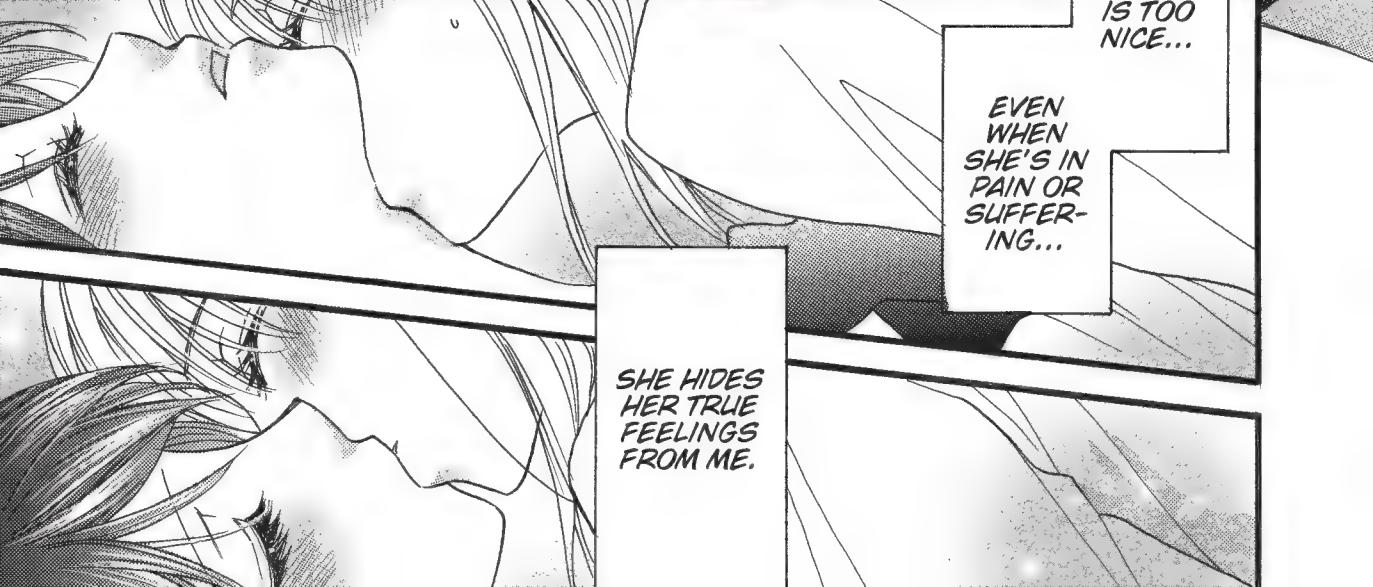
AND
EVERYONE
WOULD HAVE
FOUND OUT
ABOUT US.



HITOMI
...

THAT'S
WHY...

I THINK
IT ALL
WORKED OUT
FOR THE
BETTER!



HITOMI
IS TOO
NICE...

EVEN
WHEN
SHE'S IN
PAIN OR
SUFFER-
ING...

SHE HIDES
HER TRUE
FEELINGS
FROM ME.

YOU'RE
RIGHT...

HUH?

MY
CHOCOLATE
CAKE WAS
DELICIOUS...

I CAN
TASTE IT
ON YOUR
LIPS!

I'm gonna
save the
chocolate
you gave
me, Nana.

What?
No, please
eat it!

What
if it
melts?

THIS
VALENTINE'S
DAY...

IS THE
BEST
ONE
YET!

HITOMI'S
CHOCOLATE
WILL NEVER
BE BITTER
AGAIN...

I'LL MAKE
SURE IT
STAYS
SWEET...
FOREVER.

True, I
don't want
to waste
it... ♥

Please
eat it. I
fought
hard to
get it
for you...

But I wanna
save it as
a souvenir
of our first
Valentine's Day!

CHAPTER 6 END

ZWOOSH

FIRST
AND
SECOND
YEAR
GIRLS,
CLEAN UP
THE GYM!

BE-
BEEP

GOOD
WORK,
EVERY-
ONE!

THANK
YOU
VERY
MUCH!

OKAY!

YEAH!
SURE!

YOU
GUYS
WANT
TO
COME?

HEY,
HITOMI!
WANNA
STOP BY
MISTER
DONUT ON
THE WAY
HOME?

THAT'S
IT FOR
TODAY!

Me
three!

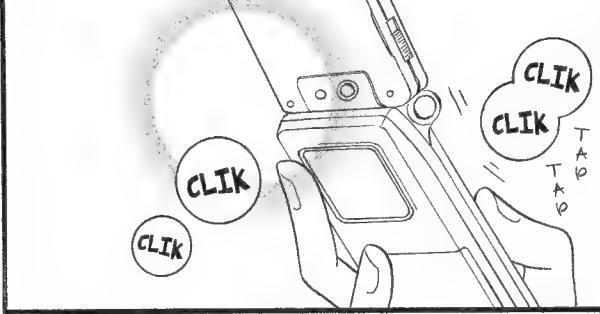
Me
too!

I
do!



TOUHOU
HIGH SCHOOL
BASKETBALL TEAM

TOU
HIGH SCH
BASKET BA





WHEN WE
BECAME
SECOND
YEAR
STUDENTS

SOMETIMES
WE DATED
IN THE
EVENING.

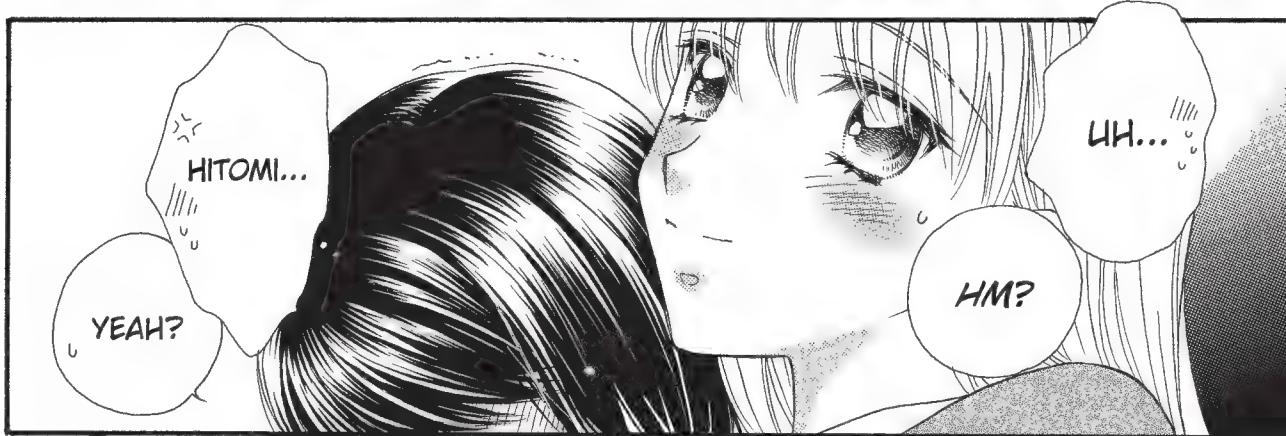
CHAPTER 7 WISH UPON A MOON

LAWSON

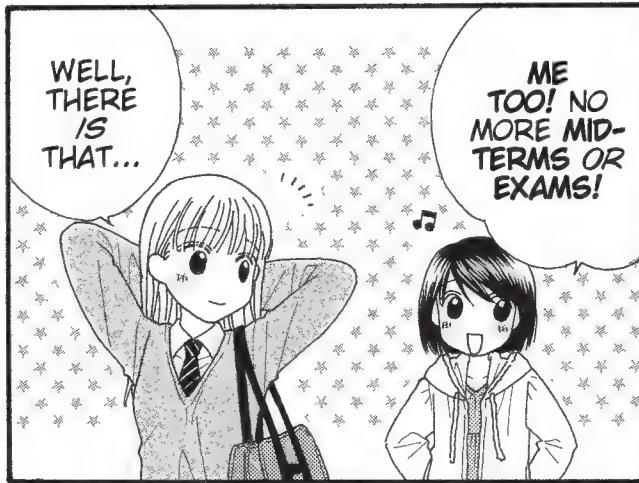












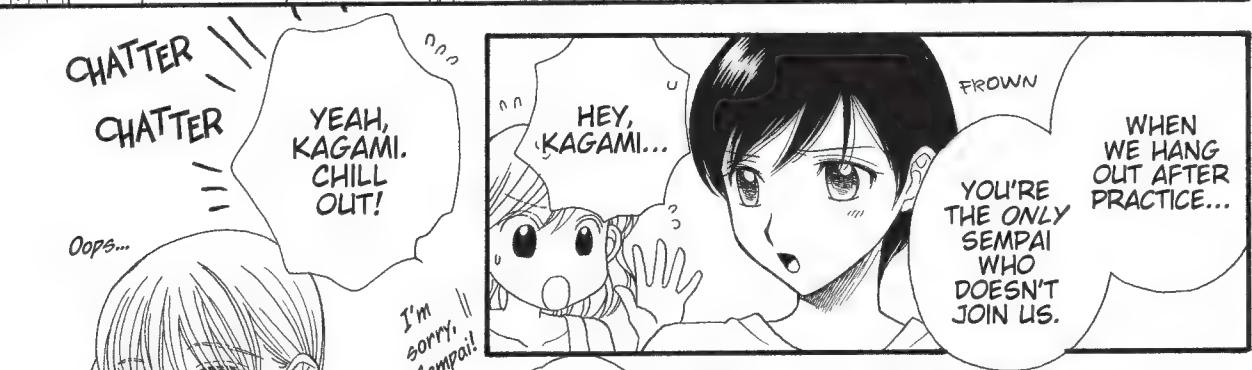
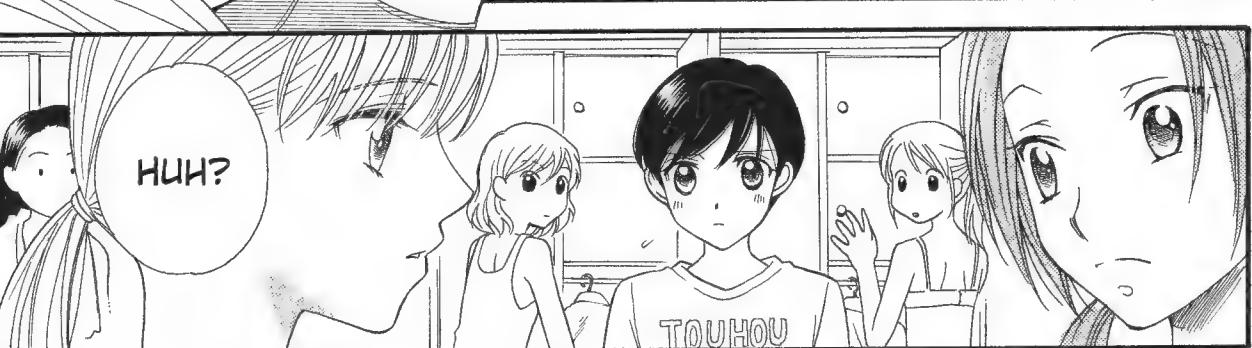




"YOU'LL BE THE FIRST THING I SEE!"

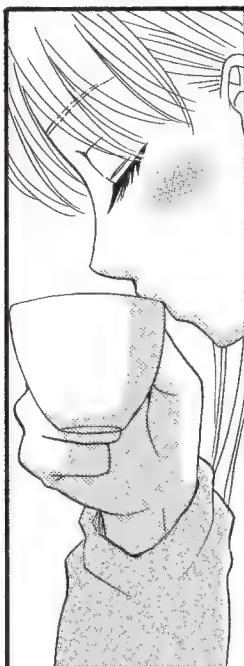


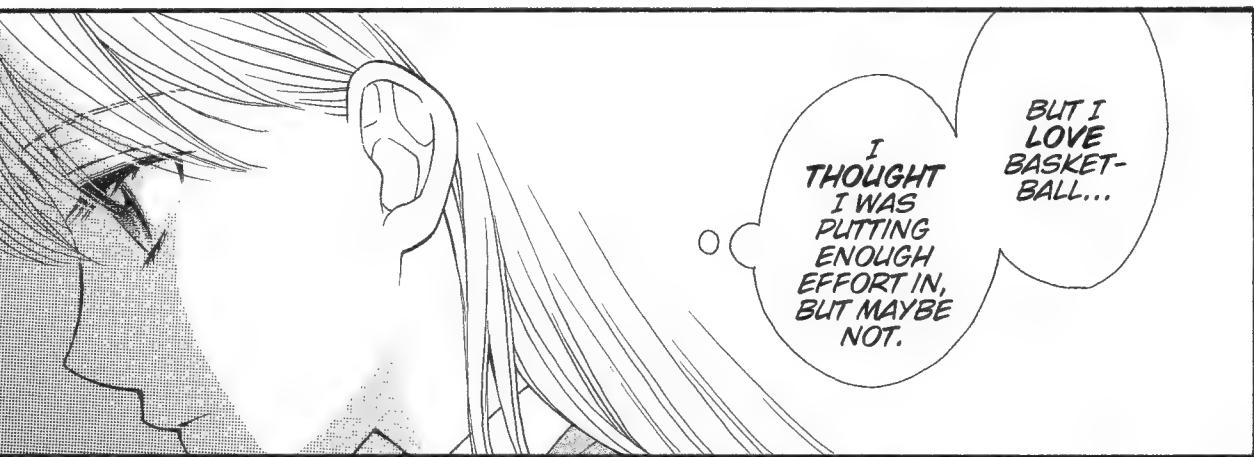


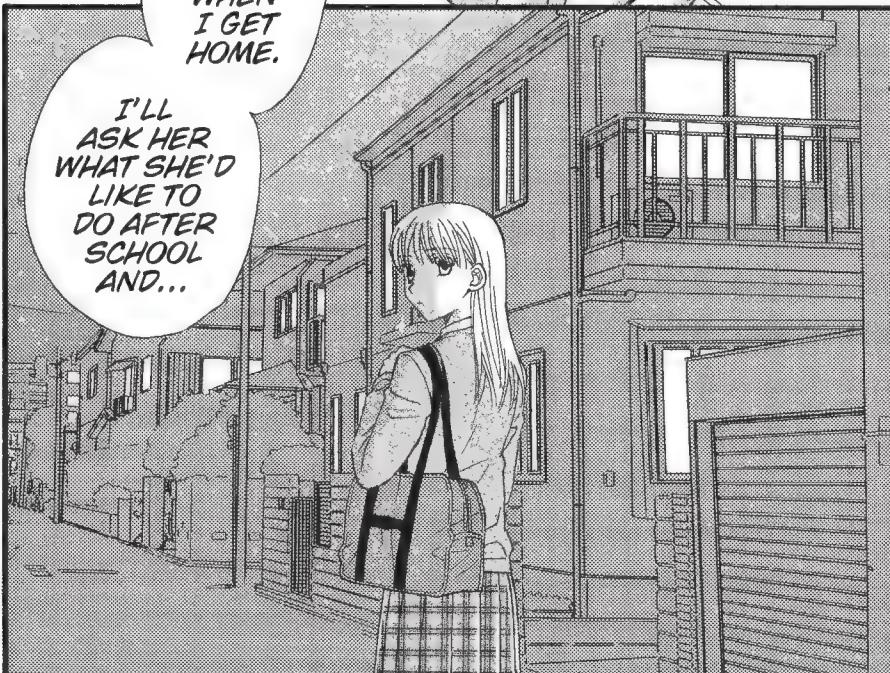






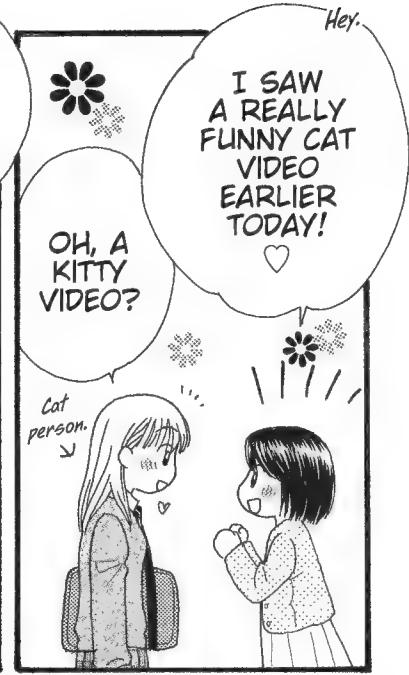






CLAP





I SOMETIMES HAVE A DREAM...

BUT THEN...

WHERE I GO TO SCHOOL AND BASKET-BALL PRACTICE...
AND LIVE A NORMAL LIFE.

THAT IT'S A DREAM.

NANA WENT TO A DIFFERENT HIGH SCHOOL...

AND I REALIZE...

"NANA'S ALWAYS BY MY SIDE. WHERE IS SHE?"

"WHERE'S NANA?"

IF I HADN'T EXPRESSED MY FEELINGS
TO HER, I COULD'VE STAYED BY HER SIDE.

WHY DIDN'T I JUST KEEP
MY FEELINGS TO MYSELF?

I CAN'T
SEE NANA
ANYMORE.

NEVER... NOT FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE.

THP
THP

BA-
THUMP

THP

I
THOUGHT
I WAS
GOING
OUT WITH
NANA?

THEN I
WAKE
UP...

WHICH
IS REAL...
AND
WHICH
IS A
DREAM?

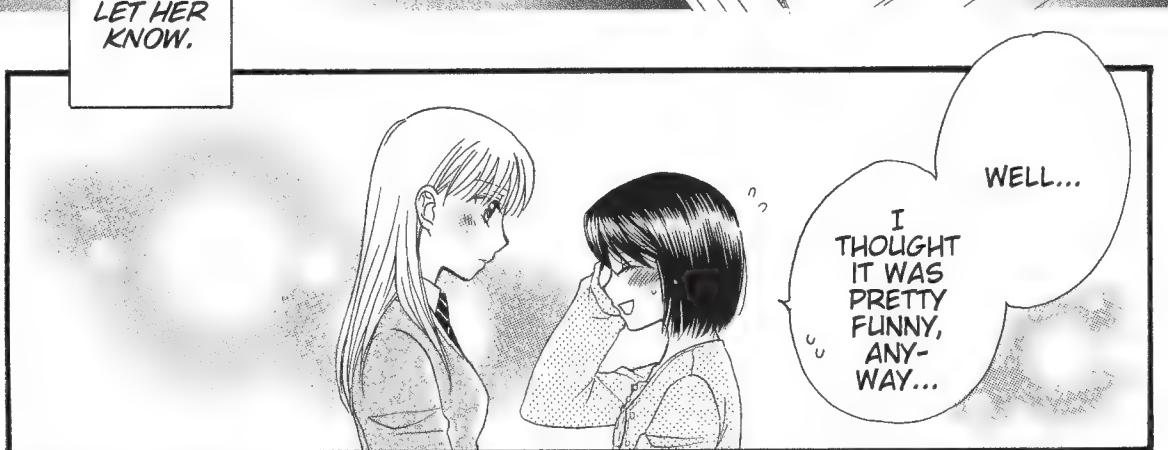
BA-
THUMP

AND GET
CON-
FUDED
FOR A
MINUTE.



I CAN'T EVER SHARE THIS FEAR WITH NANA...

I CAN'T EVER LET HER KNOW.



WELL...

I THOUGHT IT WAS PRETTY FUNNY, ANY-WAY...



I SHOULD SAVE IT FOR TOMORROW...



BUT SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO HOLD BACK...

HUH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?



BUT THE KITTEN IS REALLY CUTE!

IF I PULL HER CLOSE...

I CAN HOLD HER IN MY ARMS...

Umm... //

YOU'LL
SEE...
TOMORROW.

SAVE
WHAT?
HITOMI?

SEE
WHAT?

I DON'T CARE IF IT'S NASTY.
IF IT'LL MAKE YOU SMILE...

I'M
GOING TO
SAVE TODAY'S
HUGS AND
KISSES...

AND GIVE
THEM ALL
TO YOU!

Just
wait!

I JUST
WANT THE
COURAGE
TO PROTECT
YOU FROM
NOW ON.

CHAPTER 7 END



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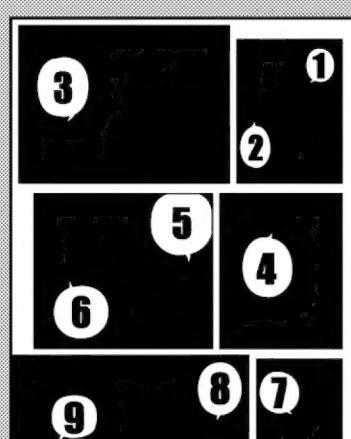
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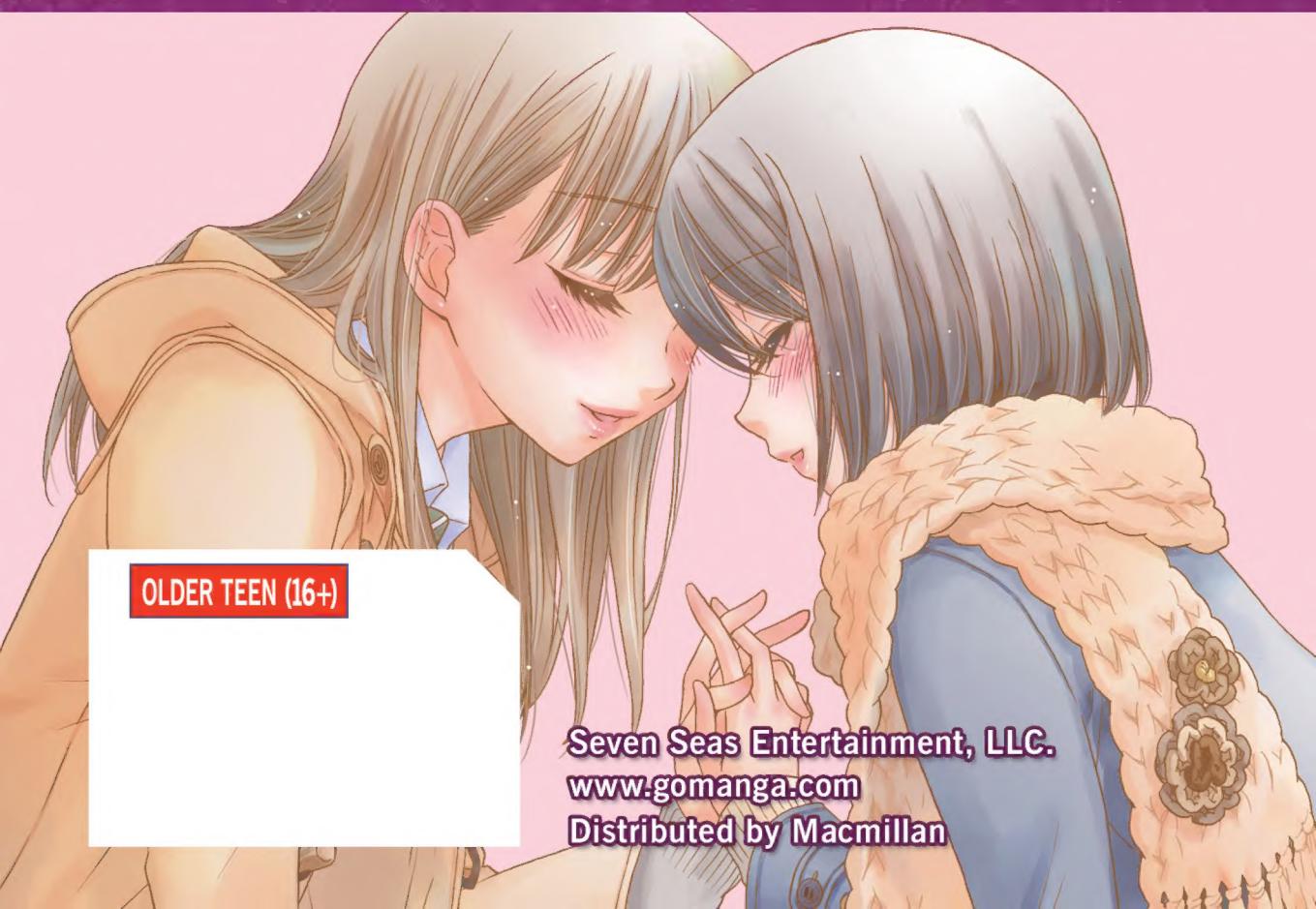
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